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BRITISH DEFENCE MEASURES Precautions Against Sudden Air Raids

TENSION GROWS AS PRAGUE REJECTION MARS PEACE HOPES

Latest Chamberlain Note To Herr Hitler Leaves Decision To Reich

PURELY AS A PRECAUTIONARY MEASURE, AND IN RELATION ONLY TO HOME DEFENCE, GREAT BRITAIN HAS DECIDED TO RECALL R.A.F. PERSONNEL ON LEAVE, CALL UP OBSERVER CORPS ATTACHED TO THE R.A.F., INSTITUTE AN AIR RAID ALARM SYSTEM, CALL UP OFFICERS AND MEN OF THE ANTI-AIRCRAFT UNITS AND THE COAST DEFENCE UNITS OF THE TERRITORIAL ARMY AND PREPARE THE BALLOON BARRAGES FOR IMMEDIATE SERVICE.

Trenches are being dug in London parks in order to provide air raid shelters.

Defence precautions have also been adopted by Belgium and Eire. The former country has manned its forts on the German frontier.

Czecho-Slovakia appears to have definitely rejected Herr Hitler's Memorandum. The rejection was conveyed to Berlin in time to be in Herr Hitler's hands before he made his historic speech in the Sports Stadium.

PRESS CONDEMNS HITLER

"Daily Mail Swings Against Germany"

LONDON, Sept. 27.
The full text of the German memorandum was given to the press here by the Czecho-Slovakia Legation and is commented upon by the papers this morning. It is noticeable to-day that the sole responsibility for peace or war is almost unanimously laid at Germany's door.

Although all papers express the hope that some means may be found of solving the Czech problem peacefully, the extreme gravity of the situation is everywhere admitted.

The Daily Mail, which hitherto has been pronounced in favour of Germany, vehemently criticises Chancellor Hitler's latest proposals. The paper writes that only a negative reply could be expected from Prague. Owing to the refusal of the Prague Government to consider the German ultimatum, it is now up to Hitler to overcome the deadlock.

"The next five days will be a gruelling experience for the whole world, but everybody hopes that a catastrophe might be averted," the Daily Mail says.

The paper hopes that Hitler will now show himself conciliatory in his speech scheduled for this evening in Berlin and goes on to say that the British nation does not understand why Hitler is unable to wait the few weeks necessary for settling the details of the incorporation of the Sudeten German territories before proceeding to military measures. The paper asks whether Germany professes a violent to a peaceful solution and whether she intends to deny to the Czechs the right of self-determination which she demands for the Sudeten Germans.

The Daily Express says that peace is gravely imperilled by the methods of German diplomacy and the increasing demands put forward by Berlin.

Concerning the discussions between the French and English Ministers, the paper observes that neither London nor Paris will bring further pressure to bear on Prague in order to induce the Czech Government to accept the German Memorandum. The "Prague Government," according to the Daily Express, had

The speech, reported in full elsewhere on this page, was unyielding and Hitler gave no assurance that he would not march into Czecho-Slovakia on October 1.

The House of Commons has been summoned for tomorrow. At the request of Mr. Chamberlain, His Majesty the King has cancelled his Scotland itinerary and will remain in London.

London, Sept. 26.
Purely as a precautionary measure and in relation only to home defence, the Government has taken certain air defence measures, including the recall of R.A.F. personnel on leave, calling up observer corps attached to the R.A.F. and instituted an air raid alarm system.

It is stated that these measures are purely precautionary and do not include general mobilisation. The War Office has issued orders calling out officers and men of the anti-aircraft units and the coast defence units of the Territorial Army. The orders relate to men who joined under the Territorial Reserve Forces Act of 1907. It is emphasised that the calling up of these men is also purely precautionary and quite distinct from general mobilisation, which includes the embodiment of the Territorial Army.—Reuter.

Balloon Barrage Prepared

London, Sept. 26.
The Air Ministry has been instructed to call up all personnel of the defensive units of the Auxiliary Air Force, comprising fighter and balloon barrage squadrons.

Bomber units will not be called up at present.—Reuter.

Trenches in London Parks

London, Sept. 26.
Trenches are being dug in London parks to provide shelters in the event of possible air raids, and in an effort to expedite the work an appeal is being made for all men who are fit and available to assist in the work.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, leader of the London County Council, has issued an appeal to the people of London to come forward in thousands to assist in Air Raid Precaution measures. The Provision Exchange has announced that in reply to a request they have fixed the price of beans, ham, butter, cheese, lard, cooking fats and margarine at the present level for 14 days.—Reuter.

A.A. Men Called Up

London, Sept. 26.
The partial mobilisation of the de-

fence forces has been ordered. The anti-aircraft and coastal defence units of the Territorial Army have been called to the Colours and the Air Ministry has recalled all Air Force personnel and instituted an observer force and an air raid warning system.—United Press.

French C. in C. In London

London, Sept. 26.
General Gamelin, the French Chief of Staff, lunched with Lord Gort following to-day's Cabinet meeting. He will leave for Paris this evening.—Reuter.

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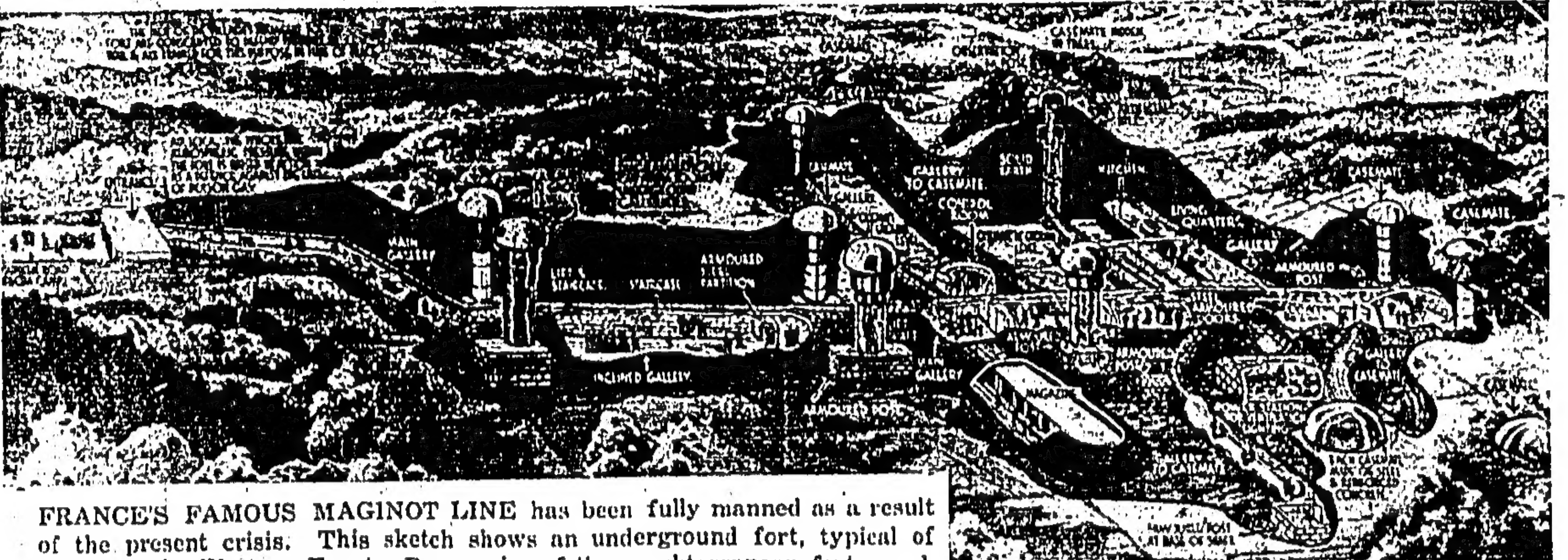
President Roosevelt Support For Allies

London, Sept. 26.
President Roosevelt's appeal to Chancellor Hitler and President Benes is prominently featured by afternoon papers in London and attracts the liveliest interest in political circles, which see in it proof that President Roosevelt is working behind the scenes for a peaceful solution of the Czecho-Slovak problem.

It is stressed in political circles that the President's appeal considerably strengthens the position of England, France and Czecho-Slovakia in the coming negotiations as those countries will henceforth be able to rely at least on the moral support of the United States.—Trans-Ocean.

President Roosevelt's Appeal

London, Sept. 26.
The British Government hails with gratitude the weighty message which President Roosevelt yesterday addressed to the British and certain other Governments, states a reply to the United States President from Mr. Neville Chamberlain. "This is a critical time," the message states, "and it is indeed essential to remember what is at stake and to weigh the consequences of any action before embarking on a course from which there may be no retreat. His Majesty's Government is doing its very utmost to secure a peaceful solution and even to-day, it is making a further earnest appeal for a peaceful settlement by negotiations in which it would be ready to lend its good offices."



FRANCE'S FAMOUS MAGINOT LINE has been fully manned as a result of the present crisis. This sketch shows an underground fort, typical of those on the Western Front. By a series of these subterranean forts, each connected to the other by an underground highway, France is said to have the most powerful defensive system in the world.

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HITLER

"GIVE SUDETENS LIBERTY OR WE WILL FETCH IT"

BERLIN, Sept. 26.
PATRIOTIC enthusiasm in the streets of Berlin and the serious look on the faces of the crowds which thronged them were apparent as the hour approached for Herr Hitler to deliver his speech in the crisis.

Endless columns of Brown Shirts paraded the streets and lined the roads leading to the Sports Palace, where Herr Hitler was to talk, while the pavements were crowded by anxious people who had assembled to watch the Fuehrer pass by.

Half of Herr Hitler's audience of 30,000 were women. The slogan in the huge hall was "Germans in Czecho-Slovakia are not defenceless or deserted." There were 500 Sudeten present, many of them in white shirts, black ties, black breeches and red armbands.

The arrival of the Chancellor was greeted with deafening cheers. Dr. Goebbels immediately opened the demonstration by the simple statement "The People's Demonstration of September 26 is open."

HISTORIC HOUR

"My leader, you speak in an historic hour which holds Europe breathless and you speak to all Germany and to the whole world," he continued. "No threat, no pressure, no matter from where, can cause you to deviate from our unconditional demands."

Herr Hitler at the outset of his speech referred to the Anschluss and recalled February 22, when he expressed for the first time the fundamental unconditional demands of Germany.

"One statesman failed to understand that statement sufficiently and has been removed. I have kept my promise," he said. "The second time I spoke it was at Nuremberg. To-day the world must know that it is no longer a man who speaks but a whole nation."

U.S. Appeals to Poland And Hungary

New York, Sept. 26.
Through Mr. Cordell Hull the President, Mr. Roosevelt, has appealed separately to Poland and Hungary for peace.—Reuter.

U.S. Cabinet To Meet

Washington, Sept. 26.
President Roosevelt has called a special Cabinet meeting for tomorrow to consider the European situation.

such as the world has never seen. If they do not want war with our armies then the German people still have their weapons.

"I have spent thousands of millions on rearmament in the past five years and General Goering has carried out order to create an air force which will protect Germany and we now have the best air defence, the best tank defence in the world."

Later Herr Hitler claimed that he carried on a practical peace policy, the most difficult problem of which was the German-Polish relationship.

"It is true there was no democracy in Poland," he said. "Democracies are full of peace phrases but are the bloodiest of war inciters."

Herr Hitler expressed conviction that the German-Polish agreement now provides a lasting peace because Poland would always want access to the sea. The understanding reached was worth more than all the idle chatter at the League of Nations Palace.

OFFERED ENGLAND HIS HAND

"I have offered England my hand. I have renounced building more than a given number of ships in order to give England a feeling of security and peace."

"One thing is important: it won't do for one nation to say 'I will build no more ships' while another says 'I will soon be making another war if it suits me'."

"We hope among the English the people who want peace gain the upper hand."

Referring to France Herr Hitler said: "We two great nations both want to live and work in peace, and both will do that best if we co-operate."

He referred to the Anglo-Italian friendship as a strong union of hearts and recalled that he had removed the Italo-German problem (presumably a reference to the Tyrol) and then referred to Austria and Czecho-Slovakia as the only two small remaining problems. Ten million Germans outside the Reich frontiers equalled a quarter of the population of France, he declared.

STOP PRESS

MASS AIR RAID ON CANTON

Canton, Sept. 27.
First mass raid for weeks, was carried out this morning when 44 planes raided Kwungtung presumably coming from Tongkwan. Thirty-two of the raiders appeared over Canton and heavily bombed the Saichuen district. The others appeared to be proceeding to Kwangsi.

The return of so many raiders indicates return of one or more large Japanese aircraft-carriers to Tongkwan.

Meanwhile the Chinese press reports increasing Japanese and French navy concentrations off Hainan and Paracels. The total number of French units off the Paracels now is nine, while a French aircraft carrier is reported to be crossing the Gulf of Tongking to Hainan.—United Press.

MARKET VALUES SLUMP

London, Sept. 27.
The heaviest dumping movement in the history of the Exchange occurred to-day when several billion dollars was sheared from the market value of the stocks and bonds quoted.—United Press.

Worse Than 1914

London, Sept. 27.
British Government bonds during the market slump to-day suffered losses exceeding those prior to the world war.—United Press.

FEATHERS FLY HIGH!

—on the new

TALL HATS

Autumn
Fashion
Notes
by
Mary
Grace



The brim of Erks red-brown felt has a swashbuckling air. A curling black ostrich feather with a fly-away look perches on top of the tapering crown which is encircled with black ribbon.

Inquiry Bureau

Getting Drink Stains Off A Table

Can you tell me how to remove an alcohol stain from a French polished table?

Rub the stain with a cloth moistened with vinegar and water to remove any stickiness. Dry thoroughly. Using very fine sand paper and a rotary movement, gently rub the mark all round in order to make the surface absolutely smooth. Between every three or four rubs with the sandpaper rub hard with a good oily furniture polish. Repeat until a good surface is obtained.

Can you tell me about what tension to use when machining georgette?

Use the same tension and number of needle for machining georgette as you would for fine silk. Fold strips of tissue paper and tack them to the material in order to make it firmer. Ease the material very slightly through the feeder never pull it.

What is the cause of a curdled sauce on veal fricasse?

Curdling is likely to occur due to cooking the sauce or keeping it at a high temperature for more than a few minutes after adding the egg yolks instead of merely re-heating it and serving immediately. If it is necessary to add the yolks and cream some time before required curdling can be avoided if the fricasse is kept hot in a bowl surrounded by hot water instead of in direct contact with the stove.

Is there any special treatment for teak garden furniture?

When the furniture is new it should have a daily oiling for a couple of weeks. Linseed oil is the best to use but an oil polish will give the same result. The oil will help to preserve the wood from rotting in the rain or cracking in the sun. Such a treatment once a month is also worth while.

Help Kidneys

Don't Take Drastic Drugs

Your kidneys have nine million tiny tubes or filters which are endangered by neglect or drastic, irritating drugs. Beware! If kidney trouble or bladder weakness makes you suffer from Getting Up Night, Leg Pains, Nervousness, Disinclination, Stiffness, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Crotch Under Eyes, Swollen Ankles, Neuritis, Burning, Itching, Smarting, Acidity or Loss of Vigour, don't delay. Try the Doctor's new discovery called Cystax (Blue-Top). Soothes, tones, cleanses and builds up kidneys. Have work in 15 minutes. Brings new health, youth and vitality in 48 hours. Cystax costs little and is guaranteed to redress your troubles in 4 days or money back. At all chemists.

Black quills give an illusion of height to the wide-brimmed hat by Suzy with its narrow, lower pot crown. The smart velvet toque, by the same designer, is edged with a broad band of skunk, a fashionable trimming which makes a becoming frame for the lace.

Suzy, who has created so many lovely hats for the Duchess of Kent, styles are not all for the very young. The new upward sweep of the hair leaves curls in view and enables hats to be worn forward and angled at a smart tilt. In fact, I have seen more millinery suitable for matrons this season than for many a year.

Velvet Toques

There is a determined effort to bring back the toque and, while some are swathed affairs, others are of velvet arranged in soft folds, but all have an Edwardian look about them.

Let the girls have their turn first. Illustrated is one of the new sports hats from Erik. These are very dashing and have a distinctly swashbuckling air with their turned up brims and important crowns.

There's a tendency, too, to combine two colours, so choose your hat to match your suit or coat and have the trimming in a contrasting hue. Some of the newest combinations are blotting paper grey with maroon or kingfisher blue, moss green with red and canary yellow, navy and wine, stone blue and brick, carrot and fog blue.

The model illustrated is in red brown felt trimmed with a black ribbon and a lowering black feather.

Which reminds me that there will be a lot of black hats during the coming season. The two other models are carried out in all black and show what can be done with cleverly worked crowns.

These are for the older woman; the high toque shape at the bottom has an edging of skunk, while black quills give

an illusion of height to the wide-brimmed hat. There are also small hats which are not really small, a cuff-like point on either side giving sufficient width to make them becoming to the majority of faces, especially where foreheads are broad and chins too rounded.

So when buying a new hat choose dashing curly brimmed styles, postillion shapes with crowns of moderate height if you are twenty; pill-box styles of hatter's plush trimmed with curly ostrich plumes are for smart young marrieds; while matrons will prefer wide-brimmed felts and toques.

But whatever your age, if you fancy a veil, wear it, and as you like it—tied over the face, flying in the wind, or bunched at the back.

IT'S GREENCAGE!

A WELCOME change for tea is greengage jam. It has a nutty flavour which most folk appreciate.

Ingredients: 4lb. greengages, 4lb. sugar, 4 pint water. Wash the fruit, cut it in halves, and remove stones. Crack the latter and blanch the kernels in boiling water, then add to the fruit. Simmer gently for three-quarters of an hour with the water until the contents are tender and reduced in quantity.

Add the sugar, bring to the boil, then boil rapidly, stirring all the time until a little will set when tested on a cold saucer. Pour into pots and seal at once.

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Glory Of White Hair

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Pale blue and lavender rinses are lovely with blue or grey eyes and fair colouring, while the lavender tint is also attractive with dark eyes. A new tint, however—and all these rinses leave only the faintest suspicion of colour, of course—is a pale peach pink which looks really exquisite with a fair skin.

Coffee-Coloured Pearls

Necklaces made of dark brown or coffee-coloured pearl beads are very popular just now.

They are especially liked by women who have sun-tanned skins, upon which the pearls are particularly becoming.

Usually the pearls are quite large and the necklaces of "choker" length.

Sequin necklaces are also to be seen. They consist of gilt beads which have coloured sequins massed between them. On black dresses these necklaces are particularly attractive.

Hay Diet Hints

One Should Not Eat Between Meals

Why is it stressed that one should not eat between meals?

Eating between meals does not give the digestive organs a chance to rest. It is feasible that this may in time cause them to work inadequately and inefficiently. The "snack" taken between meals may not be compatible with the previous meal or with the one to follow in which case digestion will be incomplete and retarded.

What is meant by acidity?

A state of actual acidity is not possible. The state is more correctly expressed as deficient alkalinity. A healthy body is 80 per cent. alkaline and 20 per cent. acid.

May "gula Malacca" be used instead of sugar with acid fruits?

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Magistrate Warns Jew Refugees

"I INTEND TO ENFORCE LAW TO THE FULLEST"

"The way Stateless Jews from Germany are pouring in from every port in this country is becoming an outrage," said Mr. Herbert Metcalfe, the Old Street magistrate, recently. "I intend to enforce the law to the fullest."

"The policy adopted by this country—and if I may say so it is a wise policy—is to punish sternly aliens coming into the country illegally. It is not merely taking them by the scruff of the neck and throwing them out."

Mr. Metcalfe passed sentence of six months' hard labour, with a recommendation to deportation, on three people, John Bockner (30), photographer; Mendel Flerman (32), tailor; and Henrietta Weiss (32), barmaid, all of Tudor House, Hackney.

They were accused that, being aliens of uncertain nationality, they were in Britain without leave of an immigration officer.

Gutta Kenachman (32), described as British, and giving the same address, was discharged under the Summary Jurisdiction Act. She had been charged with harbouring Bockner, but the magistrate accepted her explanation that Bockner, whom she had consented to marry had told her he was American.

It was stated that Bockner was born at Minsk, Russia, and Flerman in Warsaw. Flerman had stated that he had been married to Weiss according to Jewish rites.

Police Recruits Shortage

CAUSED BY COLLEGE?

There is a serious shortage of recruits for England's police forces. The home office believes that the lack of new men is due to the influence of the college.

Young men are unwilling to join the force. They believe that their chances of promotion have been ruined by the entry of college graduates.

Now the idea of establishing Police Colleges in the provinces has been abandoned.

Police forces need 2,200 recruits at once. The Metropolitan Police want 800 for London alone, but only a handful of men are applying to join.

A group of 15 Midland police forces, headed by the Chief Constable of Leicester, recently pooled their resources to attract recruits.

There were 1,738 applicants. Fifty were suitable. The scheme was abandoned.

"There is no chance of promotion

BROTHER SHOT

Mr. Clifford Watts, who appeared for all the defendants, said that Bockner had been to America and Canada and could not go back to Russia.

Flerman had to fly from Berlin, and met Weiss, who was born there. Her brother was arrested and shot. After that she stated that she was persecuted. He (Mr. Watts) was instructed that they were making their way to friends in Africa when arrested.

Flerman and Weiss, who was expecting to become a mother in some months, and also Bockner, could leave England if the magistrate would give them an opportunity.

now," a police sergeant with 10 years' service told me.

"Young men won't join when they know that they will never rise higher than a sergeant."

At the same time junior station inspectors who have come straight from the College are dissatisfied because their promised promotion is being held up.

Complaints have also been made about the short service system.

Under this scheme a constable retires when he has done ten years' service, receives only a small gratuity, and has to find a new career for himself.

Just Like You Or Me—But He Runs Faster

Sidney Wooderson recently set up a new world record for the half mile on Malspur Park. Off the truck he is not much out of the ordinary. For example—



—for breakfast he enjoys kidneys and bacon, marmalade and toast. He is a solicitor and—

No Gears, No Clutch For This Car

A car has been driven for thousands of miles over hard country with neither gearbox nor clutch.

It was driven recently in the streets of Cambridge, and inspected by engineers gathered there for the British Association meeting.

The inventor is Professor F. C. Lea, professor of engineering at Sheffield University.

In the place of a gearbox, the car has a centrifugal pump driven directly by the engine which delivers power to a turbine in which are reaction elements.

The pump revolves at the same rate as the engine, and the turbine, which is fixed to the driving shaft of the car, runs at a speed corresponding to the speed of the car.

PRESS THE PEDAL
The pump delivers oil to the turbine, which takes the energy from the oil and transfers it to the driving shaft.

All the driver has to do is to press or release the accelerator to increase his speed or slow up.

The car can be started from rest simply by pressing the accelerator.

In reverse the car uses the ordinary gearbox and clutch. The apparatus can be fitted to a geared car quickly and inexpensively.



—he starts for the office. After work—

EMPIRE NEWS

BENGAL'S POLITICAL PRISONERS

Calcutta. Orders have been given for the release of the political prisoners in Bengal still under detention. The announcement was made in the Assembly by the Home Minister, Khwaja Sir Nazimuddin.

A year ago 2,770 political prisoners were under restraint. By November, 1937, this number had been reduced to 1,350, and it was then decided to take the risk and freeing 1,100 of these. Now all have regained their liberty.

The present action follows Government announcements that there has been a change of atmosphere, and that violence has been almost universally condemned by leading members of the Congress party.

Jute Research.—Progress in research into all aspects of the jute industry in India, including marketing, is recorded by the Indian Central Jute Committee. It is now possible to give more accurate forecasts of production and yield figures.

Cattle Disease Toll.—Contagious diseases, chiefly rinderpest, accounted for 318,855 cattle and sheep in India last year.

SOUTH AFRICA

MINISTER ON TALK OF DEPRESSION

Cape Town. Replying to his critics in the Budget debate Mr. Havenga, the Minister of Finance, emphasised that his Budget statement had not been intended to indicate that any depression was approaching in South Africa. "I take no responsibility," he said, "for any impression that may have been created outside by misrepresenting my statement."

Mr. Havenga added that he had merely indicated that future expansion could not be at the same tempo as in the past.

It was estimated, said the Finance Minister, that Customs receipts would show a fall of £800,000 owing to over-importation, but what had this got to do with a depression? The financial position of South Africa was still envied by almost every other country in the world.



—he enjoys a little practice. Incidentally, this is how he always makes his start. Then—



—he enjoys looking after his garden when the serious work of the day is done.

Grandfather Aged 75, Weds

Mr. C. Slade, seventy-five-year-old Chippenham, Wilts, great-grandfather, was married to twenty-nine-year-old Miss Ivy Humber, of Higher Anstey, near Dorchester, whom he met for the first time on July 11 last. Miss Humber advertised for a job as housekeeper. Mr. Slade replied. The banns were called six days later.

Bullet His Reminder

Philadelphia. James Zahner, 16, arraigned on burglary charges, asked permission to keep the bullet which lodged in his side when a patrolman shot him during an escape attempt. "I want to carry it as a reminder not to try to steal again as long as I live," he said.

AUSTRALIA

CATTLE ON SEWAGE PASTURES

Melbourne. The Victorian Legislative Assembly, by 20 votes to 10, has rejected a bill sponsored by the Labour party leader, Mr. Cain, to remove the ban on the sale for public consumption of beef grazed on sewage pastures at the Metropolitan Board's farm at Werribee, 20 miles from Melbourne.

The ban was imposed four years ago, when beef carcasses were found in some enclosures and traced to the pastures.

Lost Explorers.—Doctors are satisfied that the pieces of white substance recently found scattered in the sand in the Simpson Desert, Central Australia, are not the skeletons of the German explorer, Ludwig Leichardt, and his companions, who were lost 90 years ago. They consider that they are lime replacements formed from the roots of trees.

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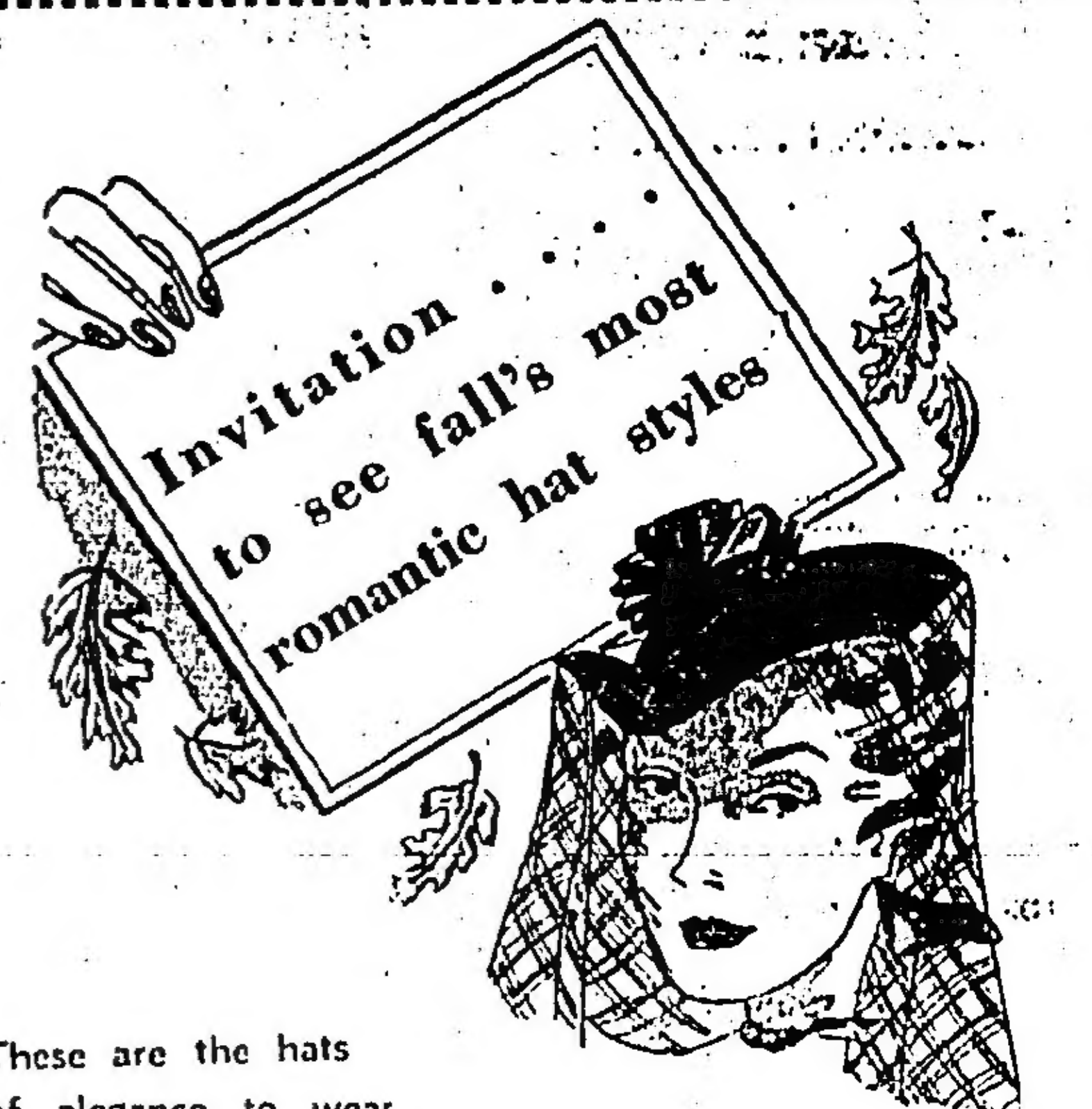
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Auckland. The Chief Electoral Officer estimates that the electoral roll now exceeds 1,000,000. This is due to exceptional electioneering activity and natural increase in population.

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M.P.'s APOLOGY TO THE HOUSE

Rangoon. Sultan Mahmud, Parliamentary Secretary to the Finance Minister, was slapped on the face in the House of Representatives recently by a Burman Opposition member. The incident took place in the lobby corridor. The Speaker suspended the session for eight minutes to hold an informal inquiry. The offending member afterwards apologised to the House.



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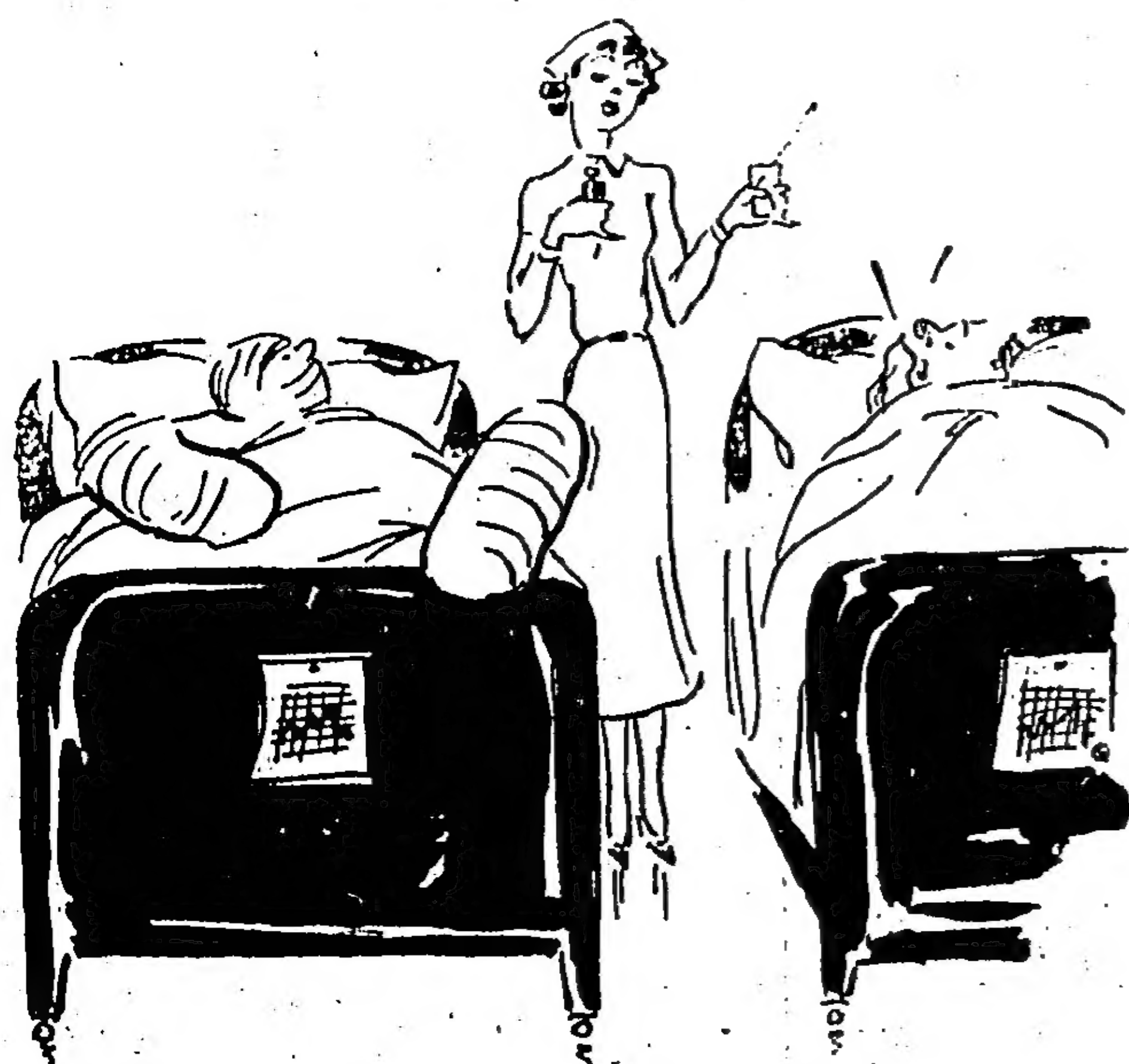
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Hongkong, 26th September, 1938.

PRESS CONDEMNNS HITLER

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already given it to be understood in London and Paris that should such pressure be extended on the new Czech Government, it would withdraw its assent to the Anglo-French Plan given by the Hodza Cabinet.—Trans-Ocean.

Objects to U.S. Newspapers

Berlin, Sept. 26. The semi-official Deutsche Diplomatische Korrespondenz, published this morning shortly before President Roosevelt's telegram to Chancellor Hitler reached Berlin—a strong protest against the attitude of a large section of the American public and Press, which, during the last few days, has not only attacked German policy but has not hesitated to attack Herr Hitler.

The Korrespondenz complains that an important section of the American Press in its treatment of European problems in general and of the Czech problem in particular has published tendentious reports accompanied by spiteful comments with the object of influencing the public opinion.—Trans-Ocean.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT SUPPORT FOR ALLIES

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Reply to Roosevelt

Washington, Sept. 26. In a reply to President Roosevelt's appeal Dr. Edouard Benes, President of Czechoslovakia, states that he believes that the dispute can be settled without resort to force.—Reuter.

Quoits Record Set

Melbourne. A new Australian quoits record was established here when 19-year-old Fred Stapleton pitched 1,691 "rings" in 24 hours and 20 minutes. They were pitched at a distance of 9 feet and at the rate of 20 per minute. He has been in competitive quoits for only two years.

BRITISH DEFENCE MEASURES

(Continued from Page 1.)

Semi-Mobilisation in Belgium

Brussels, Sept. 26. The Cabinet met to-day and decided to recall from leave men of the Ardennes Chasseurs Corps, corps of the mechanised cavalry and certain classes of fortress troops.—Reuter.

Eire Volunteers Called Up

London, Sept. 26. Members of the Volunteer Force in various districts of County Mayo, Eire, have been called to the Colours. Army Officers visited the districts and asked away from their work. The regular Army Reserves have also been called to the Colours.—Reuter.

Prague Tests Defences

Prague, Sept. 26. The strictest military censorship has been imposed here and many foreign correspondents have already left the capital for Hungary and Poland. In Prague hundreds of reservists are pouring into the city daily and the inhabitants, while trenches are being dug as air raid shelters. Black-out tests of the air defences are made every night. The people of the city are in a grim and resolute mood and both civilians and militarymen seem unwilling to make further concessions to Germany. All women between the ages of 17 and 80 are liable for compulsory labour services.—Reuter.

Council of Ministers Meets in Paris

Paris, Sept. 26. Under the presidency of M. Lebrun a council of Ministers will be held here on Tuesday morning.—Reuter.

Australia Keeps in Close Touch

Canberra, Sept. 26. For the first time since the present crisis, the Prime Minister of Australia, Mr. Joseph Lyons, had a long wireless telephone talk to-day with the Prime Minister of England. The Ministers are remaining in closest touch and some, including Mr. T. V. Thorby, Minister of Defence, are remaining in their offices all night to await cables from London.—Reuter.

King to Remain in London

London, Sept. 26. It is officially announced from Buckingham Palace that "at the request of the Prime Minister, His Majesty the King has cancelled his trip to Glasgow, which was scheduled to start to-night."

Her Majesty the Queen, accompanied by the two Princesses, will carry out the programme as arranged, both for the visit to the Exhibition and the launching of the liner Queen Elizabeth at Clydebank. In the evening the Queen will return to Balmoral Castle for a short period. The King held a Privy Council meeting at the Palace at 10 p.m. It was attended by Lord Halifax and Sir Kingsley Wood. The session lasted half-an-hour.

Later a preliminary report of Herr Hitler's speech was studied at a meeting between Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Halifax, Sir John Simon and Sir Samuel Hoare.—Reuter.

Prague Reply Received

Paris, Sept. 26. It is stated in informed quarters that Czech reply to the German Memorandum was remitted in the course of Sunday night to the Foreign Office by the Czech-Slovak Minister, Dr. Masaryk. No information is, however, vouchsafed concerning the contents of the Czech Government's Note. Since the German Memorandum was sent to Prague without an indication of the British attitude, it is surmised that the Czech reply will be transmitted to Berlin without British comment. Informed quarters stress that the publication of the Anglo-French plan and of the German Memorandum in Monday morning papers was not due to any official suggestion.—Trans-Ocean.

Demands Rejected

Prague, Sept. 26. Czechoslovakia has informed Britain that Germany's demands are unacceptable. In her reply Czechoslovakia has listed the various objections, which include economic reasons, geographic and national defence reasons. The objections were rushed to completion in order that they could be conveyed through England to Herr Hitler before he made his speech at the Sports Palace.

Meanwhile the Czechs are calm and prepared, and apparently assured that their allies are awaiting war. It is alleged here that Herr Kundt, the German leader arrested here yesterday, was operating a secret radio by which he informed Berlin of all the latest developments. It is revealed, also, that two German journalists were arrested at the same time.—United Press.

First Plan Only Basis

Prague, Sept. 26. The Prague Radio Station announced this evening that the Anglo-French plan is for the present Government the only basis of an understanding.—Reuter.

Only One End If Germany Attacks

London, Sept. 26. The immediate result of a German attack on Czechoslovakia, despite all Mr. Chamberlain's efforts for peace, would be that France would be bound to go to the assistance of her ally, and Britain and Russia could certainly not stand by and see France endangered. Official quarters, however, still believe it is not too late to prevent such a catastrophe. On the basis of official information from Prague, Reuter has been informed by officials that Dr. Benes has sent a personal letter to Mr. Moscicki, the Polish Foreign Minister, telling him that Czechoslovakia would be willing to terminate the Czech-Polish dispute even at the cost of a revision of the frontier on the basis of mutual agreement.—Reuter.

Act of War

London, Sept. 26. Mr. Winston Churchill declared to-day that Britain, France and Russia should send a solemn warning to Germany stating that in the present situation an invasion of Czechoslovakia territory by Germany forces would be taken by them as an act of war.—Reuter.

Won't Give Guarantee

Berlin, Sept. 26. The fact that the German Memorandum contains no offer of a guarantee to Czechoslovakia by Germany has been interpreted by Prague as proof of Germany's intention not to abandon her hostile attitude. Informed quarters here declare that after a settlement of the Sudeten-German question in conformity with the demands contained in Herr Hitler's Memorandum, the German Government would have no further claims on Czechoslovakia.

Regarding a guarantee by Germany, it is pointed out that such a guarantee is impossible, since it would imply an obligation to march against Hungary and Poland in the event of those countries seeking to enforce their demands for the granting of the right of self-determination to the Hungarian and Polish minorities in Czechoslovakia.—Trans-Ocean.

Report Unfounded

Budapest, Sept. 26. The report that Rumania and Yugo-Slavia informed the Hungarian Government that they would support Czechoslovakia on the basis of the Little Entente Treaty, is "quite unfounded," according to well-informed Hungarian quarters, says a semi-official news agency here.—Reuter.

Plea to Hitler

London, Sept. 27. Mr. Neville Chamberlain has addressed a last-minute plea to Herr Hitler, in a personal communication which was taken by Sir Horace Wilson, the Premier's personal adviser. Sir Horace crossed the Channel by special plane, and has already arrived in Germany.

The announcement of Sir Horace Wilson's Mission to Berlin from No. 10, Downing Street was in the following terms: "The Prime Minister has further consultations with the French Ministers this morning. 'The Prime Minister, with the full approval of the French Ministers, has decided to make a personal communication to the German Chancellor, and Sir Horace Wilson left this morning for Berlin for this purpose.'—British Wireless.

The New Proposals

London, Sept. 26. It is reliably stated that Sir Horace Wilson will submit to Chancellor Hitler new proposals by the British and French Governments which were drawn up in the course of the prolonged Anglo-French ministerial deliberations on Sunday and Monday. It is believed that the new proposals are based on the original Anglo-French plan, and that every effort has been made to take into account the German demands.

It is hoped that on this basis it will be possible to overcome the extremely grave crisis. It is further stated in informed quarters that publication of the original Anglo-French plan and of the German Memorandum in the Press was attributable to the Czechoslovak Legation. It is pointed out that with the handling in of the new Anglo-French proposals negotiations have entered a new stage. The proposals will be immediately communicated to the Prague Government. Informed quarters here continue to regard the situation as one of the utmost gravity.—Trans-Ocean.

Message Delivered

Berlin, Sept. 26. Sir Horace Wilson left the Chancellery at 5.40 p.m. to-day, having been inside for 55 minutes, during which he conferred with Herr Hitler. It is understood that General Goerring visited Herr Hitler just before Sir Neville Henderson, the British Ambassador.

Sir Horace Wilson is returning to London by air on Wednesday, and will bring Herr Hitler's reply to Mr. Chamberlain's latest Note.—Reuter.

Up to Hitler

London, Sept. 26. The British Prime Minister's message to Herr Hitler, which was delivered by Sir Horace Wilson to-day, is understood here to contain a declaration that the German plan is completely unacceptable and to have made an appeal to Herr Hitler to prove that he desired a peaceful settlement by agreeing to discuss the details of the transfer directly with the Czechs. In official quarters the view is expressed that there is still a possibility of the matter being settled peacefully by negotiations.

BRIDE'S MOTHER DIES IN CHURCH

Tunbridge Wells (Kent). Miss Mildred Harris was married at Vale Royal Methodist Church, Tunbridge Wells, unaware that her mother had collapsed and died on the church steps.

Only when she arrived for the reception and inquired for her mother was the twenty-year-old bride told. Reception and honeymoon were cancelled.

The mother, fifty-seven-year-old Mrs. Edith Harris, of Salisbury-road, Rushall, had arrived at the church before her daughter. Guests, seeing her fall on the steps, ran to her, and it was thought that she had fainted.

The only people at the service who knew that Mrs. Harris had died were the bride's two brothers. The bridegroom was Mr. Stanley Green, of Mount Slon-road.

settled peacefully by negotiations. It is also pointed out that the German claim for the transfer of the Sudeten areas has already been conceded by the British, French and Czech Governments, and if the peoples of all nations insist on a settlement by free negotiation it is not too late to stop the great tragedy of a European war.—Reuter.

Britain Must Unite

Mr. C. R. Attlee, leader of the Labour Opposition to-day addressed the following letter to the Prime Minister:

"The terms of Herr Hitler's Memorandum which you agreed to submit to the Czechoslovakian Government have, I believe, profoundly shocked British public opinion."

"The Czechoslovak Government could not have done other than refuse these terms, the acceptance of which would mean the sheer destruction of the Czechoslovakian State."

"You will recall that on September 8 three bodies of the Labour Movement declared that the British Government must leave no doubt in the mind of the German Government that it will unite with the French and Soviet Government to resist any attack in Czechoslovakia."

"The Labour Movement urges the British Government to give this lead, confident that such a policy would have the solid support of the British people."

"Whatever the risks involved, Great Britain must make its stand against aggression. There is now no room for doubts or hesitations."

"These words express the considered and emphatic judgment of the Labour Movement and indicate the only means by which, in our view, peace may still be preserved."

"I earnestly trust that His Majesty's Government will now decide to adopt and vigorously to pursue a policy in conformity with this declaration.—British Wireless.

Anglo-French Accord

Paris, Sept. 26. Political circles here attach particular importance to the passage in the official communiqué issued in London after the Anglo-French conversations on Monday, stressing the full agreement between the two countries.

The opinion prevails here that the presence of General Gamelin, the French Commander-in-Chief, in London is proof that France and England reckon with the worst eventualities and are prepared to meet them. This preparedness is considered to be the best means of pressure which the two Powers can bring to bear in the negotiations for a settlement of the Czechoslovak problem.

The view is taken that the greater the emphasis placed on Franco-British solidarity the greater the chances of preventing an outbreak of war, since it is likely that Germany would hesitate to resort to extreme measures under these circumstances.—Trans-Ocean.

War Risk Rates Increases

London, Sept. 26. The latest list of minimum war risk insurance rates issued this evening by the Institute of London Underwriters reveals very large increases in rates generally, particularly for specie between the United Kingdom and China and Japan which, on the outward run is quoted at sixty shillings per cent, and on the homeward voyage at eighty shillings per cent.

Similar rates apply to the Philippines, Straits Settlements and Indo-China. For merchandise similar increases have been announced and at present between the United Kingdom and the Far East generally the rate is a hundred shillings per cent. in either direction.—Reuter.

Big Falls On Stock Exchange

London, Sept. 26. Business on the Stock Exchange remains slack and quotations were mainly nominal. The 3½ per cent. war Loan fell to 98. On the Foreign Exchange market Sterling was pronouncedly weak. Among foreign securities German, Czech and Austrian loans fell heavily.—Trans-Ocean.

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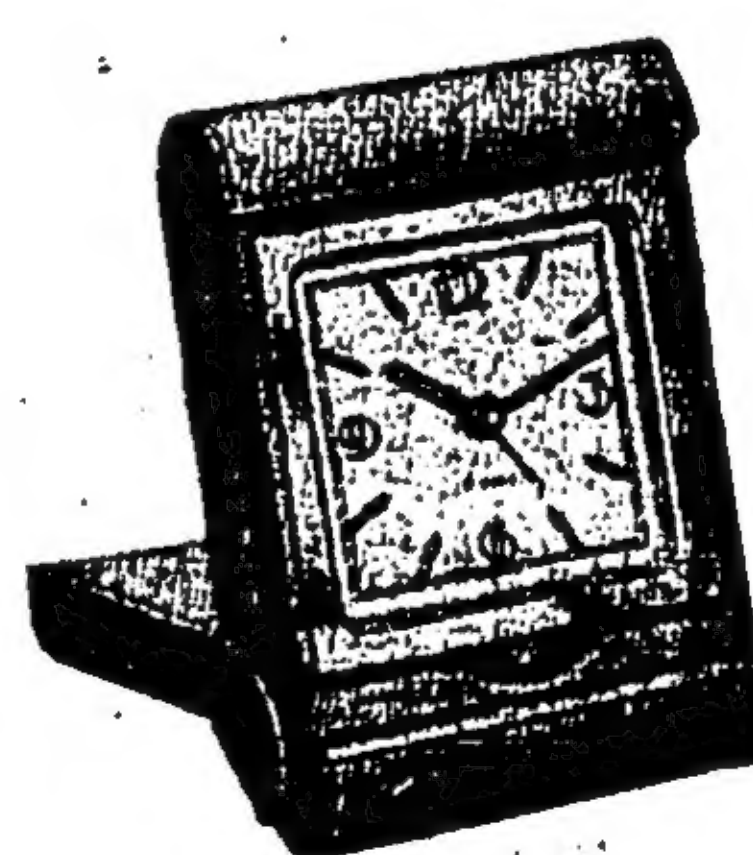
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Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

PARCEL POST

Parcel Post Service to the Province of Yunnan is temporarily suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 8 p.m. on the previous day.

From	Per	Due
INWARD MAILS		
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 21st September.		
Holhow, Pakhoi and Halphong	Imperial Airways Plane	September 27
Shanghai and Amoy	Sinking	September 27
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London date, 6th September).	Tsinan	September 27
Halphong	Bremerhaven	September 28
Manila	Canton	September 28
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London date, 8th September)	Empress of Asia	September 28
Manila	Nagara	September 28
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 1st September, date, 25th August.	Neptun	September 28
Parcels from Calcutta and Straits	Banchi	September 28
Straits	Sirdhann	September 28
Holhow	Yuenang	September 28
Japan and Shanghai	Burdwan	September 29
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 24th September.	Mulnam	September 29
Saigon	Carthage	September 30
Japan	Jeon Laborde	September 30
Shanghai	Nankin	September 30
Shanghai	Tusima Maru	September 30
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways—Direct Service"—San Francisco, date 21st September.	Conte Verde	October 1
Straits	Philoctetes	October 1
Java	Tjibadak	October 1
Japan	Hawaii Maru	October 3

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Tuesday		
Swatow and Tientsin	Kwaisang	Tues, Sept. 27, 12.30 p.m.
Batavia and Sourabaya	Tjilank	Tues, Sept. 27, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Singres	Tues, Sept. 27, 3 p.m.
Air Mail for Siam, Lanchow, Changsha and Chungking, etc. (via Kowloon) by the "Empress Airways Service" (to further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Kanasia Plane	Tues, Sept. 27
Wednesday		
Samshul and Wuchow	Kongking	Wed, Sept. 28, 8.15 a.m.
Kongmoon	Fook On	Wed, Sept. 28, 10 a.m.
Holhow and Pakhoi	Sinking	Wed, Sept. 28, 10 a.m.
Formosa	Tyosa Maru	Wed, Sept. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Thursday		
Samshul and Wuchow	Tai Ming	Thurs, Sept. 28, 8.15 a.m.
Halphong	Fausang	Thurs, Sept. 28, 10 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Banchi	Thurs, Sept. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	Tai Lee	Thurs, Sept. 28, 11 a.m.
Amoy	Soochow	Thurs, Sept. 28, 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A. Central and South America and (Parcels and Papers only for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C., 17th October and Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) via Siberia	Empress of Asia	Thurs, Sept. 29
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 6th October.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
	Parcels	Sept. 28, 3.00 p.m.
	Reg.	Sept. 28, 4.15 p.m.
	Ord.	Sept. 28, 5.00 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 6th October.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs, Sept. 29
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Sept. 28, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Sept. 28, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Sept. 28, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Sept. 28, 7 p.m.
Friday		
Samshul and Wuchow	Kongso	Fri, Sept. 30, 8.15 a.m.
Sandakan	Hinsang	Fri, Sept. 30, 8.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	On Lee	Fri, Sept. 30, 9.30 a.m.
Manila (Parcels and Papers only for Madang, Salamun, Tulagi and Rabaul)	Friderun	Fri, Sept. 30, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Szechuan	Fri, Sept. 30, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Jean Laborde	Fri, Sept. 30, 1.30 p.m.
Halphong	Canton	Fri, Sept. 30, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow and Tientsin	Wingsang	Fri, Sept. 30, 2.30 p.m.
Singres	Carthage	Fri, Sept. 30
South Africa, Aden, Egypt, Malta and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 28th, October	G. P. O. and K. P. O.	
	Parcels	Sept. 30, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Oct. 1, 9.45 a.m.
	Ord.	Oct. 1, 10.30 a.m.

Saturday		
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A., by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 8th Oct.	K.P.O.	Sat, Oct. 1
	Reg.	Oct. 1, 8.30 a.m.
	Ord.	Oct. 1, 9 a.m.
Air Mail for "K. L. M. Airways Carthage Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 11th October.	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Sat, Oct. 1
	Reg.	Oct. 1, 9.30 a.m.
	Ord.	Oct. 1, 10 a.m.
Parcels only for Calcutta	Yuenang	Sat, Oct. 1, Noon
Brindisi—due Brindisi, 21st October	Conte Verde	Sat, Oct. 1, 4.30 p.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Anhui	Sat, Oct. 1, 5 p.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia, and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 18th October.	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	Sat, Oct. 1
	Parcels	Sept. 30, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Oct. 1, 8.45 a.m.
	Ord.	Oct. 1, 9.30 a.m.
Parcels only for Calcutta	Yuenang	Sat, Oct. 1, Noon
Sunday		
Swatow and Shanghai	Tsinan	Sun, Oct. 2, 9 a.m.
Monday		
Holhow	Mulnam	Mon, Oct. 2, 9 a.m.
Mombasa (Papers only) Beira		
Lourenco Marques and (Parcels and papers only) for South Africa	Hawaii Maru	Mon, Oct. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 10th October.	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Oct. 2, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Oct. 2, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Oct. 2, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Oct. 2, 7 p.m.

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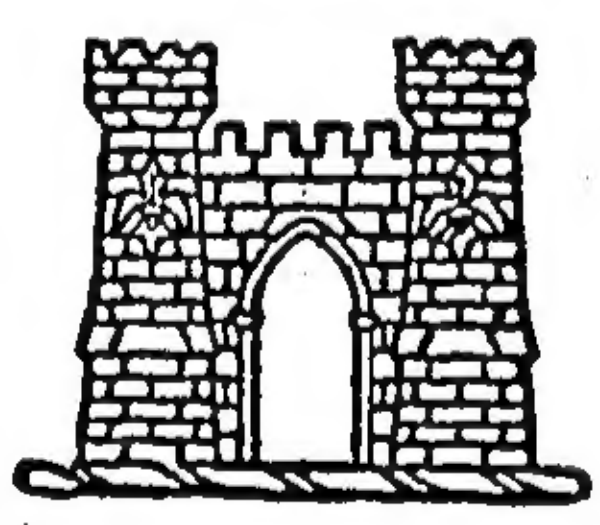
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There is every reason for believing that the prompt and efficient mobilisation of Czechoslovakia's army of two million men, and the plain statement of support from France, Soviet Russia, Rumania and Yugoslavia, must have a sobering effect in Germany. For the first time efficient precautions have been taken before German shock tactics—so successful in the Rhine area and in Austria—could be switched over from threats to definite action. In other words, a beginning of lightning defence, or *Blitzverteidigung*, has been worked out and put into practice, as an answer to the long line of successes that Germany had in the past with her *Blitzangriff*, or lightning attack.

Europe at least has, as a result of the prompt precautions taken by Czechoslovakia, a breathing space of four days—ninety-six hours before Czechoslovakia need decide, in conformity with Herr Hitler's threat of direct action on October 1, whether she will fight or make one of the greatest sacrifices any nation has ever been called upon to make in the interests of peace. In those ninety-six hours much can happen. It is twice the time Austria gave Serbia in 1914 and, although the sands will run quickly, diplomats in London, Paris and Washington can be relied upon to do everything in their power to utilise the intervening hours advantageously in the cause of peace.

As we said yesterday, prognostication regarding the outcome of the crisis is futile, in view of the lightning and bewildering changes that occur hour by hour in Europe. But one fact stands out clear and unchallengeable: if war comes to Europe, one nation and one man—the man who rules that nation with an iron rule besides which the power of its pre-war All Highest fades into insignificance—will be to blame.

Czechoslovakia, acting on the advice of Great Britain and France, conceded to Germany and Herr Hitler terms which no self-respecting, independent nation ought to have been asked to concede. Czechoslovakia, conscious of the effect such terms had on its dignity as an independent State, would have been justified in rejecting the Anglo-French suggestions. More so, having agreed to those first demands, she is entitled to reject the subsequent demands which Herr Hitler released like a bombshell at Godesberg. They not only go further than anything envisaged by Great Bri-

ROBERT LYND DISCOVERS THAT Inventions Do Make Life Happier

PROFESSOR C. E. M. JOAD, I see, wishes to put a ban on new inventions or, at least, to set up a censorship of new inventions. He would like to have "a board of scientists and philosophers" who would refuse a permit for any new invention of which they thought the human race incapable of making a good use.

Everyone will agree with Professor Joad that man has shown not only an incomparable genius for inventing things, but an incomparable genius for putting them to wrong uses.

It is obviously the misuse of inventions in war of which Professor Joad is chiefly thinking—the aeroplane, for example, which should be an instrument for bringing the nations closer together, but which is now being used as a means of spreading death and destruction.

I do not think, however, that the misuse of inventions began with the aeroplane and the chemistry of modern warfare. It must have begun very shortly after the expulsion from Eden, for man, being from the first a curious mixture of good and evil, was bound to make a pretty deplorable use of his gifts with the evil part of his nature.

IN themselves, inventions are, for the most part, neither good nor bad. It is human nature in its use of them which is good or bad.

Take such an apparently innocent invention as the pen, for example. In the hands of a saint it may bring light into the world. In the hands of the poet and the lover, how immeasurably it has increased human happiness! Put it in the hand of a forger, however, and it becomes an instrument of crime. It lends itself equally to the anonymous letter-writer and to the composer of sermons. It can be used for writing the most illiterate balderdash as well as the divinest poetry.

If Professor Joad's theory is sound that inventions ought to be prohibited until human beings are sure to make a right use of them, then pens, paper and ink ought to have been prohibited long ago. If this had been done the world would undoubtedly have been spared a great amount of crime, of false and poisonous teaching, and of rubbish. But would it, on the whole, have been happier? I doubt it.

From the point of view of a pessimist there is much to be said for the suppression of the printing-press. What power it gives to a dictator as a means of control or France; they go further than the greatest hopes of Herr Henlein and the Sudeten-Germans, even further than the wildest hopes held a week ago by Germany herself.

Insistence by Herr Hitler on acceptance of his latest demands can leave the world with only one conclusion—that he is deliberately provoking war, and is determined that the Czechs shall have no loop-hole for peace. It will be a terrible thing for humanity if this belief is correct for, in the event of war, Germany must surely find that it will be impossible for Democracy to remain indifferent at such a callous and premeditated use of the Mailed Fist.

With all their hearts, British people hope that, whatever adjustment is made to Herr Hitler's demands, Czechoslovakia will be able to accept them with honour and dignity, as befits the best governed and conducted State created and emancipated by the Great War.

Czechoslovakia cannot accept peace on any other terms.

of truth-distorting propaganda! Invented as an instrument for liberating the mind, it is now used again and again as a means of enslaving the mind. Human nature undoubtedly has shown that it cannot be trusted to make a good use of the printing-press.

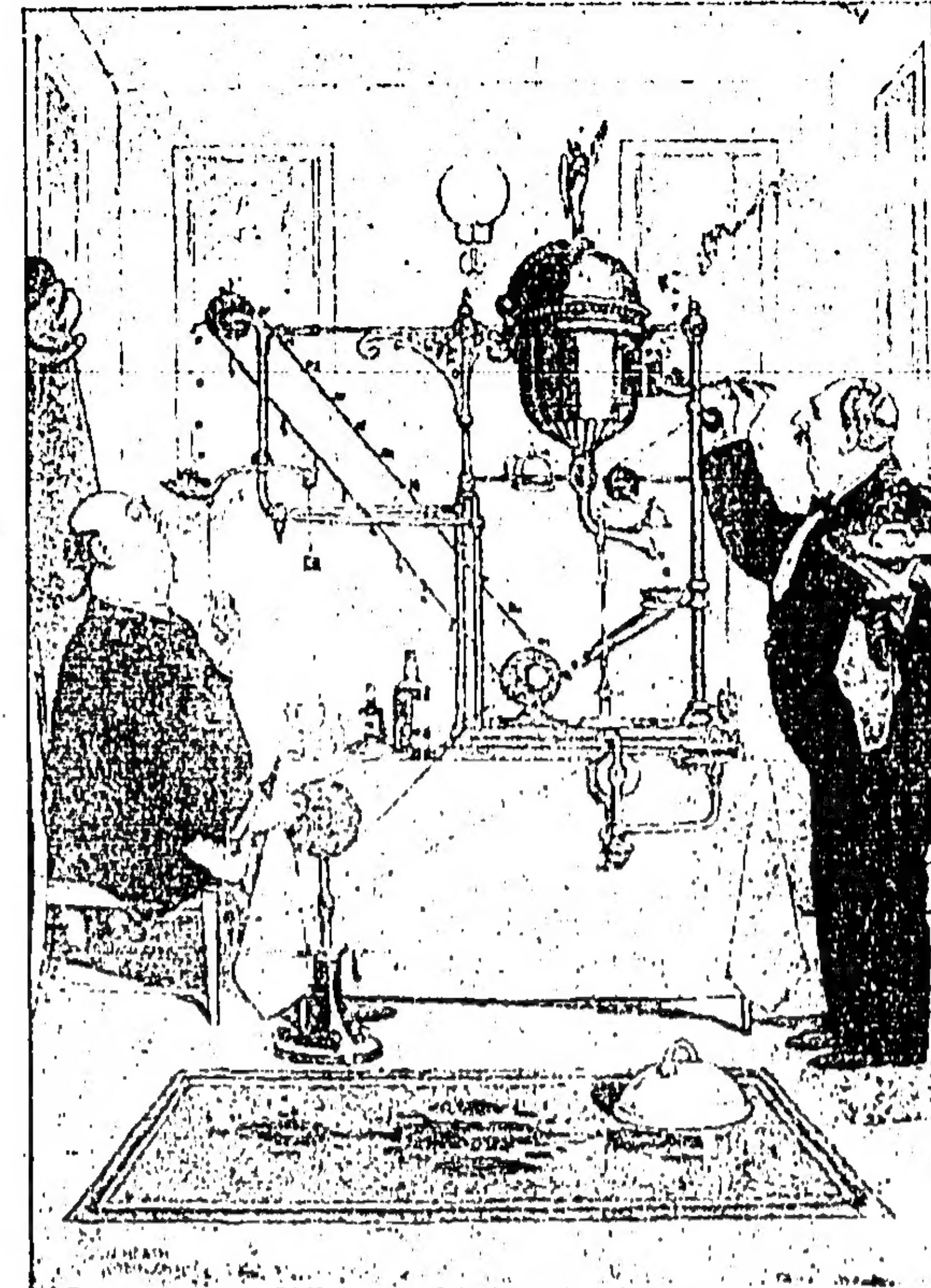
PROFESSOR JOAD himself instances wireless as a marvellous instrument which is being shamefully misused by the human race. "The ultimate ether," he declares bitterly, "vibrates to the sound of negroid music, and wireless waves transmit such announcements as 'Ladies and gentlemen, Syd Ambrose will now sing 'Tripe and Onions.'"

Certainly, if wireless is to be judged by the worst of which it is capable, we must conclude that it is a pity that it was ever invented. In this respect it is just like literature, music, and the art of drawing. Man in his imperfection has put all three to trivial and base uses. It is only fair, however, to remember that he has also put them all to glorious uses.

Wireless may give us "Tripe and Onions," but it also gives us Beethoven's symphonies. With its news and its talks it brings the remotest dweller in the country into touch with current affairs and intelligent opinion on them. And as a matter of fact, I have no complaint to make about "Tripe and Onions." Crowing I detest, but a little triviality now and then is by no means bad for the soul.

I KNOW a man who maintains that no modern invention has made human beings happier. He sincerely regrets the invention, not only of the aeroplane and wireless, but of the motorcar, the cinema and even the telephone.

I cannot agree with him. It seems to me to be incontestably true that the inventions of science have enormously increased the diffusion of human enjoyment. Bad as the world is to-day, I cannot help believing that a greater proportion of human beings are enjoying life



An invaluable apparatus for connecting peas to the mouth (as Heath Robinson sees it)

than was the case in the days of the Thirty Years' War and the Spanish Inquisition.

Professor Joad's object in stating his case is extremely as possible was obviously to draw attention to the fact that what the world needs most at present is no more scientific inventions, but such moral improvement as would enable it to put its scientific inventions to a good use.

Unfortunately, whereas progress is the normal thing in the world of science, it is by no means certain in the world of morals and ideas. A world in which great scientific advances took place and at the same time morality, philosophy and literature decayed is perfectly conceivable. Who can say for certain whether the moral ideas that are general in 1938 are better or worse than those which were current in the middle of last century? To decide the matter one way or the other is an act not of reason but of faith. I am afraid that, even if all modern inventions were abolished, human beings, without some inspiring faith, would make just as bad a mess of the world as they are making to-day.

Cruelty is not a novelty introduced by the aeroplane. Man's inhumanity to man was noted by a poet who lived long before the invention of the high-explosive bomb.

THE truth is, man's great problem remains to-day much the same as it was 1,000 or 2,000 years ago. It is chiefly a problem of getting rid of egotism.

An egotist with an aeroplane may be dangerous on a larger scale than an egotist with a stone axe. But I doubt whether the world, unless it were morally better, would be either happier or more humane if it scrapped all its aeroplanes and took to the stone axe again.

As Professor Joad clearly sees, it is not science that has gone wrong, it is we who have gone wrong in the use we make of it.

PALESTINE MEMORIES

HOW they crowd on one, even after the lapse of twenty years, the memories of that lovely land! The fierce scrambling and fighting amongst the bleak Judean hills, the frightful rainstorms which swelled rivers until they swept off men and camels and floated away waggons, with their mules drowned, into the inky blackness of the stormy night.

It was on such a night that the Lowland Territorial Division performed the amazing feat of crossing the swollen Ajlun River in hastily constructed rafts and attacked the Turkish positions at dawn, sending them reeling back another twenty miles and covering all the intervening country with abandoned arms and stores of all kinds.

Jaffa, Tel Aviv, Sarona, Sheikh Muannis, El Jellib—each in their setting of palms, poplars, and orange groves, and within a stone's throw of the ultramarine Mediterranean—all were held by us until our withdrawal to France in April 1918.

The countryside around—all on the edge of the Plain of Sharon—was smothered in such a wonderfully prolific and beautifully varied wild-flower growth as almost to defy description. Never while life lasts shall I forget the loveliness of Sharon's wild flowers.

Bedouin Squalor

The people, poor and mean and lowly for the most part, living in hovels and on the husks of foodstuffs and seemingly chiefly of mongrel Arabic descent, wearing the same simple garments they wore two thousand years ago, ploughing with a camel and a horse, a bullock and an ass, or even a cow and a man yoked together to pull the old wooden plough across the furrows of the stony ground.

The Bedouin families, living in frightful apertures for tents, but on their own allotted territory, were an eye-opener to us. Fowls, goats, dogs, donkeys, and even camels wandered in and out of the tents, where men, women, and children lived and slept together.

For sanitary reasons we had to compulsorily remove these families to a new ground every fortnight, and at first their despairing wails, excited jabbering in Arabic, and covering their heads with dust, made us almost feel we were doing them an injury. Very soon, however, their heads were understood, and the fortnightly removal was performed like children going to a picnic.

It was pathetic to see their humble waiting on the veranda from every meal. With his love for children and kindness towards the unfortunate, the British soldier has been (Continued on Page 5.)

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"This is no time for stage fright, Clancy! You just go out and say: 'Everybody out—the theatre's on fire.'"

Hotels Bar 65 st. Of Coal-Black Harmony



MAN OF DIAMONDS IS TIRED OF THEM

**Sells Stones To Rich
And Poor Of Burma**

Diamonds are a delight to most people, but Mr. B. Jassani, sleek, black-haired young visitor to London, is fed up with them. He has had so many and is tired of them.

He owns a diamond merchant's business with ten offices in Burma and another in Antwerp; his annual turnover in diamonds is about £300,000.

He buys stones in Europe and sells them to the rich and poor of Burma. For Maharajahs and Premiers he sometimes buys single collections worth £50,000.

"In Burma," he said, "everybody wears diamonds—they don't care for rubies, although Burma produces the finest in the world."

"Flower girls who earn fivepence or sixpence a day save up for years to buy real diamonds, which they wear in their hair. They will only buy real stones."

MILLIONS INVESTED

"Burma is the only place where diamonds are mounted and worn with the point upwards. In all other countries, including England, they like to have the flat, brilliant face of the stone upwards; in Burma they wear them the other way because that side is shaped like the churches, the pagodas."

"When the flower girls are hard up they sell their diamonds for nearly as much as they paid for them. There must be millions of pounds worth of diamonds in Burma."

"When a pagoda is built people, rich and poor, give diamonds and golden sovereigns, which are placed in a pure gold dome or egg which is built on top of the pagoda."

GOLDEN EGG

"No one can ever see them, and you couldn't get at them to steal unless you came down in a parachute. At the Pagoda of Sivalayon, in Rangoon, I should think there must be at least one million pounds worth of diamonds locked in the golden egg on the top-most point."

"But business is not very good in Burma now. The people depend for their wealth upon the rice crops. The rice buys their diamonds—white for white—and when the rice trade is poor you don't sell so many diamonds."

"Really, though, I shouldn't be talking diamonds. I'm over here to forget them, and have a holiday. But I couldn't resist going to the Tower of London to see the Crown Jewels. My word, the Star of Africa is a wonderful stone; what a diamond but the Koh-i-noor which I saw there is just a copy. It doesn't sparkle."

Birds Win Over U.S.

Butte, Mont. The United States government has been obliged to install a second mail box at 1902 Adams street. Bluebirds occupied the first one and built a nest and although they were ejected several times they persisted in returning until the postal authorities gave in and ordered a second box.

STRANGE WILL OF BANK MANAGER MURDERER

Children Left Out

Mysterious in life—he was a £12-a-week bank manager who lived like a millionaire; mysterious in death—he murdered the wife and two children he adored and then shot himself, in their luxury Cheshire home; William Rawson Cornall has provided a final mystery in his will.

He made his will four days after his first child—a son—was born. But he made no provision for the child, or for any other children he might have had.

£1,000 FOR WIFE

His estate is valued at £2,247 gross, which will not, of course, yield the £1,000 and £3 a week he instructed his trustees to pay his wife.

But then he had inherited £10,000 from his grandfather and was earning £500 a year, and living quietly at Cheshire House.

Later he bought a fine house in Romiley (Cheshire); lived like a millionaire; gave parties at expensive hotels; tipped porters and waiters £5; and always travelled by taxi, even the shortest distances.

LAST PARTY

On the eve of their holiday last month he shot his wife, his son John, aged 16, and his daughter Ann, aged 4, and took his own life. A few hours earlier he had given a party at an expensive Manchester hotel.

Then it was revealed that irregularities amounting to five figures had been discovered at the two banks of which he was manager.

Later still it became known that he had had unauthorised dealings totalling £100,000.

There are 25 folio pages of the will, but the one thing he apparently forgot was—his own son, then four days old.

Screams In Prison

**Convicts' Evidence
At Inquest**

Philadelphia, Sept. 2. The coroner's jury investigating the case of the "roasted" convicts found the prison superintendent, deputy warden, nine guards and two doctors criminally negligent for the convicts' death. They will face a grand jury which will be asked to indict them with homicide and manslaughter according to indications at the District Attorney's office.

Four prisoners were found naked in their cells in conditions which were compared by the assistant District Attorney with the "Black Hole of Calcutta." Their bodies were battered and disfigured. The coroner had declared that death was due to scalding and there were signs of suffocation.

SURVIVORS' STORY

Convicts who survived testified how the stifling men screamed in agony and beat themselves against the walls of their cells as the heat became increasingly unbearable.

The superintendent and deputy warden were released on bail of \$10,000 each.

At the inquest, the gaol authorities denied that the convicts, who were found battered and disfigured, were scalded. They also denied that the convicts were in a hunger-strike. Their deaths, they claimed, were the result of accidents.

The gaol superintendent, Mr. William B. Mills, at first announced that the men had committed suicide. Then he issued a statement saying that they died "possibly fighting among themselves."

Large-Size Bill Appears

Butte, Mont.

At least one American citizen knows what to do with currency that is out of circulation. He sent in one of the old 1914 \$5 bills, which have been out of circulation for years, in payment of his taxes.

Phone Girl Becomes Heiress To £2,000,000

New York.

A nineteen-year-old girl who was a \$3-a-week telephone operator in a Canadian village a few weeks ago will be a millionairess.

Daughter of a tugboat skipper, who will inherit most of the fortune of her husband of three weeks, Denny Dodge, heir of the motor millions, who fell to his death in Georgian Bay, Ontario.

Dodge, who met his bride at a village dance while he was building himself a summer home in Ontario, would have inherited nearly £2,000,000 when he was twenty-five. His wife will not inherit that money, but she will inherit a portion of her husband's accumulated income, said to amount to nearly £2,000,000.

He left only one will, drawn up a week after his twenty-first birthday in July and in that his wife is named

as principal beneficiary. But Mrs. Dodge, burned by the dynamite blast that injured her husband, was in no mood to think of millions.

The explosion happened in a garage, where Dodge found an old sick of dynamite. Mrs. Dodge decided that a speedboat would get him to hospital, 120 miles away, with the least delay, and herself took the car, but she became exhausted after the boat had covered eight miles in a heavy sea. While another of the party was taking over from her Dodge went overboard. The boat was swung round to his rescue, but he had disappeared.

RADIO BROADCAST

**Relay of the Launching Of
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PROFESSOR HARRY ORE

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6.00 An hour of the latest Dance Music and Variety.

Dance Orchestra—Twelfth Street Rag—Fox-Trot; The Merry Mill—Fox-Trot... Jack Wilson and His Versatile Five; Goldwyn Follies—Films Selection (Gershwin)... Louis Levy and His Orchestra with vocal refrain by Eve Becks; The Maidens Of Tyrol—Fox-Trot... Jay Wilbur and His Band with vocal chorus by Sam Costa; Sweet As A Song—Fox-Trot (Film "Sally, Irene and Mary")... The Organ, The Dance Band and Me; Orchestra—Bavarian Tales (Richardz); Peasant Polka (Mohr)... Fritz Domina and His Orchestra; Accordion Band—The Whispering Waltz (Domell, Evans); A Cafe In The Moonlight (Connolly)... Primo Scala's Accordion Band Vocal Chorus by Sam Costa; Piano and Orchestra—Billy Mayerl Memories; Intro: Sweet William, Green Tulips, Marigold, Chopsticks, Ace of Spades, Ace of Diamonds, Bells in the Belfry... Billy Mayerl and His Clavier; Dance Orchestra—Could You Dream—Fox-Trot; (Film "Sally, Irene and Mary")... Roy Fox and His Orchestra with vocal refrain by Denny Dennis; Lambeth Walk—Fox-Trot ("Me and my Girl")... Ronnie Munro and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Banjos—Banjo Favourites; Intro: Stein Song; Valencia; Toy Drum Major... Raymonds and His Band O' Banjos; Mandoline Players—Spanish Gypsy Medley; Intro: Argentina; Barcelona; Lady of Spain... The Romya Mandoline Players; Comedians—A Little Bit Of Madeira (Ally More); Underneath A Leafy Oak (Ally More)... Nine More and Nevada with Piano Dance Orchestra; Hot Lips (Busse-Lange-Davis); I'm A Ding Dong Daddy (Baxter)... Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins on two pianos with string bass and drums featuring Clarinet and Vocal by Harry Roy.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.02 B. B. C. Recording—"Seven Days Sunshine".
A Musical Cruise with book and lyrics by Henrik Ege. Music by Norman Hackforth; Cast: Floyd Penrhyn; Sydney Keith; Claude Hulbert and Enid Trever; Doris Gilmore; Renee Mayer; Davy Burnaby; Gordon Little; Wynne Adler; Teddy Williams; Gilbert Bailey. The Carlyle Cousins; The B. B. C. Theatre Orchestra cond. by Stanford Robinson.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 Richard Strauss—"Don Juan" (Tone Poem), Op. 20.
Played by the London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Fritz Busch.
8.20 A Song Sung By Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).

Standchen, Op. 17, No. 2 (Strauss).
8.25 Studio—Piano Recital by Professor Harry Ore.

1. Variations in C Major (Mozart); 2. Menuet in E Flat (Chopin, Op. 4); 3. Prelude in E Minor (Mendelssohn); 4. Legend, Op. 12 (Mendelssohn); 5. Les Yeux des Cloches (Ravel); 6. Chant des Ondes, Op. 41 (Whitell).
8.55 Don Cossack Choir conducted by Serge Jaroff.
Two Russian Folk Songs (arr. Jaroff); (a) Old Pachon; (b) The Three Sons; We Sing To You (Prayer) (A. Kustalsky).
9.00 London Relay—"Green Fields and Pavements".
A talk by Henry Williamson.
9.15 London Relay—"The News".
9.45 London Relay—"The Launching of the Queen Elizabeth".
In the presence of their Majesties the King and Queen. An address of welcome by Sir Percy Bates, Chairman of the Cunard White Star Line, and presentation to her Majesty the Queen of a souvenir casket by Lord Abercromby. A commentary on the proceedings by George Blake from John Brown & Co's shipyard, Clydebank.

10.20 Compositions of Edward German.
Coronation March and Hymn... Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Major George Miller; Merrie England—Vocal Gens... Miriam Lleette, Clara Serena, Francis Russell, Dennis Noble, Robert Carr, and Chorus with Orchestra; Merrie England—Dances; (a) Rustic Dance; (b) Jig; (c) Hornpipe; (d) Minuet; Orchestra Raymond cond. by G. Walter; A Princess of Kensington—Selection... The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards cond. by George Miller.

10.47 Band Music.
Tidworth March; Tidworth March... Bands of the Southern Command; Hyde Park Suite (Jalowicz); (a) Sunday Morning Church Parade; (b) Totten Row; (c) On the Serpentine; (d) Around the Bandstand... Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Major George Miller.

11.00 Close Down.

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10 Production

"R. ABBIT" CHOOSES HIS INTERPORT CRICKET SIDE

LOCAL PLAYERS SADLY LACKING IN PRACTICE

SEVERAL FIRST CHOICES UNABLE TO MAKE TRIP

There was a strong breeze blowing on Sunday and a bright light. The sides had to be altered, partly because of Man's accident, and the game did not start until 11.45, when Kilbee and Colledge went in. Bowker's side included most of the probable and possible bats except Anderson and Teddy Fincher, while the bowlers were mostly in Owen Hughes' side. Robert Lee started the bowling and opened with a maiden to Kilbee. A. P. Pereira bowled at the pavilion end and was on the short side. One shocking long hop was pulled mid-on for four by Colledge. Kilbee did not seem to see them at all to begin with. In Pereira's second over Colledge played an atrocious shot at a short rising ball on the off which was going away from him and patted it gently into second slip's hands, 6-1-5. In Lee's next over a ball that turned appreciably from the off got Kilbee l.b.w. It was possibly under the new rule but anyway the batsman played at the ball and missed it, 6-2-0. Whitmarsh joined Bidwell and seemed to see them, but after pulling a full toss for a couple he cut a shortish one hard but failed to get over it and was easily taken at third slip, 8-3-2.

A. H. Madar came next and after a bye had been run he only just escaped being caught at second slip, but cut just clearing the fieldman's left hand. Pereira was pitching half way down the pitch but seemed to get a bit of turn from leg. He would have been heavily punished by good batting. In his next over Madar got him to long leg for four, but it should only have been a two, but it looked rather a risky scoop off his leg stump. He put a full toss from Lee to long leg for three and then Bidwell edged one to second slip very low but Pereira dropped a difficult catch.

BRILLIANT CATCH

Pereira sent down a better length ball next over and it took Bidwell's off stick after pitching on the leg and middle, 22-4-1. Souza relieved Lee and Madar, put his first ball, the longest of long hops, very low and hard, to backward point where McEllan brought off a brilliant catch rolling over as he took the ball about ankle high, 22-5-11. Madar had batted better than any one else. Billimoria relieved Pereira and Kilbee off-drove him for four. A bit of a stand was then made, but with 38 on the board Nazarin played too soon at the left-hand and hit the ball straight into mid-on's hands, 36-6-9. Souza was bowling, short of a length and turning them, and though he did not look dangerous he was making it hard for the batsmen to score. After an hour's play the score was 37. It certainly was the beginning of the season.

Lloyd went on and appeared to be uncommonly stiff as three long hops must have been wided to a shorter batsman than Weedon. In his second over Weedon lashed out at another wide long hop and was caught at first slip, 37-7-1. This was the fourth-wicket out of seven to fall to a long hop. Kilbee had not scored for quite a long time and the last ten minutes had produced

one run. Ride off-drove Lloyd nicely, though only a single came. Lunch was a pleasant change from watching Kilbee's masterly inactivity.

AFTER Tiffin

The game was resumed after tiffin. Ride batting to Billimoria who appeared a bit stiff at first, and Ride got him to long leg for four. Lee bowled at the other end. Kilbee had a three to long leg from Lee and a couple to the same place from Billimoria. Ride was batting much better than he had done on Saturday and played his shots crisply. He took a four through the slips from Lee and some quick singles. He seemed to have settled down when Billimoria got a good length ball past his defence to take his middle stump, 62-9-17. Kilbee continued to be desperately slow, apparently making no effort to score. At 2.45 Minu went on for Lee at the Bowling Green end and bowled a maiden to Kilbee. Lloyd bowled for Billimoria at the other end, and after a single Kilbee carted a full toss to square leg for four. Godby jumped out to Minu and straight drove him to the boundary. He shaped confidently and hooked Lloyd for four. The latter seemed hopelessly stiff. Godby was nearly run out but celebrated his escape by a lovely four past extra cover off Minu. A five-4 overthrow—

about two hours play. Just after this he on-drove Lloyd and was a shade early, giving McEllan at mid-on a very hot catch, 102-9-17.

BIG HITTING

Beck off-drove Lloyd for four but it should have been caught. The next ball pitched on the bank in front of the pavilion—the next went all along the carpet in the same line, a single went to the same place, and after a quick single to Kilbee, Beck put the last ball over the screen. He took 17 off the over. Pereira relieved Minu, and McEllan Lloyd, but Beck hit the latter for a tremendous four to long on. At 137 Beck was caught at mid-on trying to hook McEllan. He had played a very bright knock of 27, quite well made, and had really brightened up the game. Finally Bowker was caught in McEllan's leg trap and the innings closed for 144. Kilbee played a very patient, defensive innings of 32 and carried his bat.

OWEN HUGHES' SIDE IN

At 3.50 Anderson and Mackay opened to Beck and the former took a two to extra and a four to third man in the first over. Madar bowled at the other end, Beck was unable to find a steady length and came in for heavy punishment when he bowled short on the off, both batsmen square cutting very well and getting over the ball. At 30 Anderson was badly dropped off Madar by Kilbee at first slip.

Beck had four slips, a fine third man and a square one, but this merely led Mackay to drive him past extra cover for four. With 40 up Mackay on-drove Madar for four but was clean bowled next ball trying to repeat the stroke. He had

Shield Champions Beat F.A. Cup Winners

London, Sept. 26.

The annual F.A. charity match between the Shield Champions and the Cup Winners was played to-day when Arsenal, the League champions, beat Preston N.E., the Cup-winners, by two goals to one. —Reuter.

made 23. Godby relieved Beck but both Anderson and Pearce seemed quite happy. The score had reached 60 when tea was taken at 4.30.

After tea, Anderson retired and Souza filled his place. Kilbee bowled from the Pavilion end and beat Alec Pearce with his third ball, sending down a maiden. Bowker bowled at the other end. Souza nicked his first ball between first and second slip. As so often happens here, they were too wide apart. Pearce was playing beautifully until in having a go he hit over one from Bowker and was bowled, 83-3-20. The cricket then became as dull as it had been for most of the former innings.

SLOWS!

Then Whitmarsh was put on and his first ball was the most innocent looking donkey-drop imaginable. However, Souza elected to try to cut a ball that was nearly a half volley and as the ball turned a shade from leg he was caught at the wicket, 87-4-15. Lee came in next and hit out stoutly but O'Brien seemed badly out of practice. Nazarin succeeded Bowker but nothing happened. Whitmarsh as far as I could see dropped a hot c and b from Lee but I may be in error over this. At length however, Lee, after clouting Nazarin to long on for a four, skied one between extra and mid-off deep and Bowker judged the catch very well, 127-5-30.

Beck then had a turn at the Bowling Green end. Lloyd was out almost at once, stumped off Whitmarsh, 133-6-5. Three before another run had been scored O'Brien tried to hook Beck and was caught by wide mid-on. Ride did well to get to the catch. Owen Hughes cut a rising ball later in the over, and though third slip failed to hold the ball he knocked it before it fell, 138-6-4. McEllan nicked Whitmarsh to long leg—it was a big full toss and he nearly missed it altogether, and four runs came from byes when Colledge seemed to be unsighted by the batsman. The ball was outside the leg peg when McEllan and Minu had added twenty more, stumps were drawn. The wicket had played excellently throughout.

REFLECTIONS

All the earlier batsmen on Bowker's side seemed to be suffering from lack of practice except perhaps Kilbee and Madar. Lee and Pereira bowled fairly, though the latter was far too much on the short side, but it was mostly bad batting that caused the wickets to fall. Souza did not look impressive. He took his wicket with a long hop and then ran into Kilbee who for long periods made absolutely no attempt to score even singles. Billimoria was steady. He had a long spell, possibly too long for him—and only had 33 runs taken off 14 overs. Lloyd was obviously far too stiff to bowl properly. Kilbee's innings was useful in so far that besides keeping an end going he wore down the bowling and helped the latter batsmen. Ride was much better than before and Beck's hitting was by no means blind slogging. But I liked Godby's knock best of the lot. He has a nice style and his off-drive is a beautiful shot. He can also bowl pretty fast but he is expensive if he loses direction as I think he is apt to do until the Gunners, two or three years ago considered him a more useful all-rounder than Clive Garthwaite. I can hardly subscribe to that opinion as yet.

Unfortunately most of the best batting for Owen Hughes' side was done by people who cannot go, though Mackay and Robert Lee were bright exceptions. Further back Bowker bowled very well. Madar is very steady, though I should prefer to see him as a spinner rather than a stock bowler. Godby, possibly owing to stiffness, did nothing with the ball, but Whitmarsh—who has more command of length and spin than many bowlers, was mixing leg and top spinners well.

THE IMPORTANT SIDE

It was with great regret that I learned that neither D. N. Anderson nor E. C. Fincher can go. Apart from others we now have practically our first six choices, Owen Hughes, Pearce, Minu, Anderson, E. C. Fincher and Man, unable to play.

As it is I should be inclined to choose the following team, set down in the batting order:

W. H. Colledge, N. A. E. Mackay, Captain Whitmarsh R.M., A. H. Madar, R. E. Kilbee, R. Nazarin, C. E. Godby R.M., E. Lee, A. C. Beck, A. C. I. Bowker, and P. J. Billimoria. There is admittedly not a brilliant bowler, (except perhaps Lee) in the side, but there is an awful lot of bowling! Beside the two wicket-keepers every man on the side can



THREE-TIME CHAMPION.—Lightweight boxing title was annexed by Henry Armstrong, California negro fighter, when he hammered Lloyd luxury liner Potsdam as the Cruiserweight C.C., will contest the final of the L.A. Bowls singles championship.

BOWLS FINAL TO BE DECIDED THIS AFTERNOON

B. W. Bradbury v. J. A. Luz

On the Kowloon B.C.C. green this afternoon, J. A. da Luz, of the Club de Recreio, and B. W. Bradbury, of the Craigenower C.C., will contest the final of the L.A. Bowls singles championship.

The game is scheduled to start at 4.30 p.m. Mr. A. Hyde-Lay, President of the Association, will umpire.

While this is not the first time that Bradbury has reached this stage of the competition, it will be Luz's first experience of playing in the final of the singles, although with his brother R. F. da Luz, he took part in the final of the Pairs Championship in 1937.

Both Luz and Bradbury are playing very well at the moment, especially the former, who has been recognised as one of the staidest drawing men in the Colony by being selected to play No. 1 in the forthcoming Interport against Shanghai. However, he is not as versatile as his opponent, who is capable of pulling almost any shot out of the bag.

Bradbury's display against A. R. Dallah in the semi-finals last week showed that his recent indisposition has not impaired his skill to any extent, and in view of his greater experience, he will probably start favourite. But though he is very young, Luz is a cool player and whether he will succeed in beating his opponent or not, he may be relied upon to put up a good fight.

A very interesting match should be seen, with little in it at the end.

bowling a bit. But there is rather a weakness in batting. Possibly Lee is for help of the cricket. Unfortunately I have not seen Beck but for a long time, while Beck can demolish almost any bowler if he stays more than five minutes. Then again we have Kilbee and Weedon. On current form I don't see who to drop for them and so stick to my own team. I shall not be surprised however, if Kilbee is picked by the people who really do the choosing. Bidwell looks as if he might be good after a couple of months steady practice.

A PLEASANT DAY

It would be ungrateful to write this article without a word of thanks to the K.C.C. for the loan of their ground and the hospitality of their pavilion. They are always willing to the help of the cricket. In these Sunday games, when, under an old ruling, the Club ground is not available. In my opinion it is high time that the ruling should be rescinded. Why "organised games" are forbidden and others not I cannot conceive. Nor do I understand why cricket is "organised" and tennis (presumably) "unorganised"—or should it be "disorganised"? As it is, the Club's one chance of playing all day games is confined to holidays—and they are rather in a fix about a ground for next Sunday. Personally I should like to see an appeal made to Government.

Cotton, Not Whitcombe, Is Best Golfer This Year

London, Aug. 26.

ALTHOUGH the Open golf champion is usually recognised as the best player of the year, Reg. Whitcombe, winner of golf honour No. 1, winner also of the Irish Open and other tournaments, is not to get the Vardon trophy.

The Vardon award, which unofficially labels the holder as the season's best golfer, has been handed to Henry Cotton, and Cotton, though he has played grandly at times, has not won a single important tournament in Britain.

The scores returned by the professionals in 16 named tournaments are taken and the average calculated. The lowest figure wins the prize.

The 16 events include the Open, and first-class tournaments. Cotton's figure—and this may surprise you in view of his season's record—is a shade under 73.

Whitcombe's average is slightly over 73—about half a stroke. If this comparison be accepted, it looks as if Cotton has been desperately unlucky this campaign.

Shanghai Preparing For Interport

Many Fine Cricketers Available For Match

Shanghai, Sept. 21.

A meeting of the Shanghai Cricket Club Committee was called yesterday evening and plans for the Interport were discussed. Inasmuch as the Colony players are arriving on October 8, which is a Saturday, it will not be possible for play to be held during that week-end and it was decided that the Interport should be played on Monday, October 10 to Wednesday, October 12 inclusive.

It is believed that the visitors are arriving here in the Norddeutscher Lloyd luxury liner Potsdam as the steamer's schedule coincides with the dates indicated by Hongkong, the vessel being due from Europe on October 8 and will sail from Shanghai on its return journey on October 18.

In addition to the Interport proper, two other matches have been arranged for the visitors—a match against the United Services Cricket Club ground on Friday, October 14 and a match against the Shanghai Recreation Club on Saturday, October 15.

On Sunday, October 16, the Shanghai Cricket Club will hold an "at home" in honour of the Hongkong Interport team. It is also planned to hold either a dinner or a dance as part of the entertainment programme, but no definite arrangement in this connection has been reached.

PICKING LOCAL INTERPORT XI Now that it is definitely settled that Hongkong is to send a team here, the S.C.C. Committee is expected to get to work on choosing the Interport side to meet the visitors. This should not be difficult as there are several players whose names automatically go on the list.

Among the "certainities" of course are—Donald Leach, Archie Sinclair, Bob Booth, L. F. Stokes, and J. C. Jenkins of the Shanghai Cricket Club and Pat Madar of the Reds.

G. S. Dunkley is also believed to be sure of his place. He is one of the best wicket-keepers here and besides this, deserves consideration on his batting ability alone.

It was learnt on good authority last night that at least eight members of Shanghai's team will be selected at an early date and that

Chicago Cubs Now Nearer To Pirates

New York, Sept. 26.

Chicago Cubs got nearer to Pittsburgh Pirates in the National Baseball League to-day when they defeated St. Louis Cardinals by 6-3. The Pirates were not engaged.

In the American Section, the New York Yankees beat Boston Red Sox by 4-3.

Scores:

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	3	12	1
Chicago	6	9	0

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	R.	H.	E.
Boston	3	10	3
New York	4	8	0

—Reuter.

the remaining three places will be filled after trial of several candidates. An Interport trial is expected to be held on Sunday, October 2, with the Shanghai side, consisting of the eight selected players and three others, meeting a Rest of Shanghai side.

MANY GOOD BATSMEN

The object of the trial, it was indicated, will be to determine who, among the many first-rate bowlers here, should be given preference.

A team including such stalwarts as Leach, Booth, Sinclair, Stokes, Jenkins, Madar and Dunkley may confidently be expected to put up a presentable score against any visiting team as each of the above-mentioned players are capable of a good innings. Leach, Sinclair, Dunkley and Stokes have each scored a century this season. Pat Madar made over 90 in the opening League match of the season, while both Jenkins and Booth have reached 50 and over this season.

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HOME SOCCER PROSPECTS

No. 12—West Bromwich

Albion lost their position in the First League last season, and are keen on regaining that status without delay.

Best known of the newcomers is M. Burdell, inside-left from Notts Forest. Albion signed him largely on the strength of a talented performance against Aston Villa last season. Other new men include J. G. Shield, left half from Wolverhampton Wanderers; S. Butler, outside-left from Scunthorpe; A. G. Holder, clever inside-forward from Cheltenham Town.

There is plenty of talent in every department, and provided injuries do not disturb the balance of the side, it would not be surprising to find the Albion firing well in the Second Division.

Name	Birthplace	Height	Weight
Adams, J. (Notts Forest)	5 9	12 0	
Harris, W. (Oxford)	5 10	10 0	
Radwin, H. (Aston)	5 9	11 1	
Saunders, W. (Hull)	5 11	11 2	
Goalkeepers			
Haslett, J. C. H. (Bristol)	5 10	11 0	
Finch, A. R. (Huddersfield)	5 8	11 12	
Sreen, J. (Oxford)	5 9	11 2	
Shaw, C. E. (Manchester)	5 10	13 0	
Kinsell, J. H. (Canterbury)	5 11	11 5 1/2	
White, H. (Wendover)	5 10	11 1 1/2	
Half-backs			
Davies, C. (West Bromwich)	5 11	11 0	
McNab, A. (Glasgow)	5 7	11 0	
Lowery, H. (Moor Row, Cumberland)	5 11	10 5	
Murphy, J. (Preston)	5 6	10 2	
Shield, J. G. (Whitburn, Durham)	5 8	10 0	
Rix, J. L. (Lancashire)	5 8	10 0	
Sandford, E. (Huddersfield)	5 10 1/2	13 0	
Sankey, J. (Windsor)	5 10 1/2	12 2	
Tudor, W. (Shelton, Wales)	5 10 1/2	12 2	
Griffin, W. E. (Princes End, Staffs)	5 11	11 7	
Wilcomb, D. (Cwm, Wales)	5 8	10 2	
Forwards			
Clarke, I. (Princes End, Staffs)	5 7 1/2	10 0	
Heasgrave, S. E. (Smethwick)	5 6 1/2	10 12	
Jones, H. J. (St. Helens)	5 10 1/2	11 1	
Mahon, J. (Gillingham)	5 8 1/2	11 0	
Richardson, W. (Preston)	5 7 1/2	10 12	
Robbins, W. W. (Ely, Cambs)	5 10	12 7 1/2	
Spencer, G. (Crewe)	5 8 1/2	11 5	
Pike, R. B. G. (Preston)	5 10	11 12	
Holder, A. G. (Bristol)	5 10	11 0	
Burgin, M. (Sheffield)	5 8	10 0	
Hayland, E. (Preston)	5 8	10 0	
Butler, S. (Stockton-on-Tees)	5 8	10 0	
Hanks, G. E. (Wendover)	5 7 1/2	11 0	
Dudley, G. (Glasgow)	5 9 1/2	11 0	
Johnson, J. A. (Grimsby)	5 9	10 7	

During the close season they have parted with several men. Light has gone to Colchester; G. E. Shaw is now player-manager with Stalybridge Celtic; N. A. Male is with Walsall; Stanley Wood has been transferred to Halifax; L. Coen has joined Coventry City; and J.

BROMWICH DEFEATS DON. BUDGE

Detroit, Sept. 26.
John Bromwich of Australia defeated Donald Budge to-day in an exhibition tennis match here by scores of 7-5, 6-3.—Reuter Bulletin.

Lewis has been engaged by Crystal Palace.

No. 13—Coventry City's Policy

All the Coventry players have reported fit and well, including the new forwards, George Ashall from Wolverhampton Wanderers and Lawrence Coen from West Bromwich Albion.

It would appear that City's strength will again lie in the defence unless the inside forwards develop greater scoring ability. The hope is that a first-class centre would be found who will depend upon that position being efficiently filled.

Eleven new players have been signed, bringing the number on the books up to 33, while there are also available many young aspirants in the "rangers" at Leamington.

Confidence in the first team will be promoted by the inspiring influence of captain George Mason, who has fully recovered from his injuries, while the reliance upon the backs of last season is shown by the fact that no changes or additions have been made in this department.

The policy of the directors has been to use their financial resources in carrying out extensive improvement of the ground for the comfort and convenience of spectators instead of parting with large sums for players.

COMPLETE LIST OF PLAYERS

Name	Birthplace	Height	Weight
Moran, W.	6 0	12 2 1/2	
Wood, W.	5 11 1/2	12 0	
Aker, D. E.	5 8	11 4	
Goalkeepers			
Antley, A. H.	5 9 1/2	11 12 1/2	
McCallie, W. F.	5 10 1/2	12 2	
Smith, H.	5 10 1/2	10 10	
Brown, V. C.	5 11	11 7	
Elliot, C. G.	5 9 1/2	12 1/2	
Tooe, D. G.	5 11	11 0	
Half-backs			
Mason, G. W.	5 9	12 11 1/2	
Frith, H.	5 9 1/2	10 2	
Archer, J. W.	5 10 1/2	10 10	
Shane, J.	5 10 1/2	12 4 1/2	
Belcher, H. A.	5 10 1/2	11 0	
Crawley, T.	5 10 1/2	12 4 1/2	
Armstrong, L.	5 9 1/2	11 0	
Bond, W. A.	5 9	11 1	
Ilaver, J.	5 9	11 4	
Forwards			
Brown, J.	5 7	10 4	
Macdonald, W.	5 8	11 4	
Roberts	5 9	10 11 1/2	
Conwell, L.	5 7	10 11	
Barrett, H.	5 9 1/2	10 2	
Lager, W. H.	5 8	12 0	
Smith, W.	5 7 1/2	10 0	
Davidson, R. F.	5 9 1/2	11 0	
Lammie, E.	5 8	10 8	
Lewis, J. S.	5 8	10 5	
Taylor, G. F.	5 8	11 1	
Warner, L.	5 9	10 12	
Coen, L.	5 9	10 12	
Ashall, G. H.	5 7	11 2	

ARMY AQUATIC MEETING

Inter-unit Championship Heats At V.R.C.

Heats for the Hongkong Area Inter-unit Swimming Championship were held yesterday at the Victoria Recreation Club pool. The final events will be held this afternoon, commencing at 2.30 p.m., when the first and second of each heat and the best third will take part.

The results were:
300 Yards Free-style Relay (Small Units).—Heat 1, 24th H. Bty. R.A., 3 mins. 52.2 secs.; 11th Q. M'x, 3 mins. 40 secs. Heat 2, 40th Coy. R.E., 3 mins. 15.4 secs.; 7th A.A. Bty. R.A., 3 mins. 15.6 secs. Heat 3, 9th A.A. Bty. R.A., 3 mins. 13 secs. "D" Coy. M'x, 3 mins. 15 secs. There being three heats H.Q. M'x did not qualify for final.

150 Yards Medley Relay.—Heat 1, M'x, 1 min. 40.5 secs.; Royal Engineers, 1 min. 50.8 secs.; Small Units, 1 min. 55 secs. Heat 2, Royal Scots, 1 min. 45 secs.; 8th Hvy. Regt. R.A., 2 mins. 4.4 secs. The 5th A.A. Bty. R.A. were disqualified.

800 Yards Free-style Relay.—Heat 1, Royal Scots, 11 mins. 47.6 secs.; 5th A.A. Bty. R.A., 11 mins. 47.8 secs. Heat 2, M'x, 11 mins. 21.2 secs.; R. Engineers, 11 mins. 49.2 secs.; 8th Hvy. Regt. R.A., 12 mins. 14.0 secs.

300 Yards Free-style Relay (Large Units).—Heat 1, Royal Scots, 3 mins. 3.4 secs.; Small Units, 3 mins. 18.5 secs.; Heat 2, M'x, 3 mins. 7.4 secs.; R. Engineers, 3 mins. 12.8 secs. The 5th A.A. Bty. R.A. were disqualified.

400 Yards Free-style Relay.—Heat 1, Royal Scots, 4 mins. 45 secs.; R. Engineers, 4 mins. 57 secs.; 5th A.A. Bty. R.A., 5 mins. 0.4 secs. Heat 2, M'x, 4 mins. 52 secs.; 8th Hvy. Regt. R.A., 5 mins. 7 secs.

Interport Cricket Trial

Teams Chosen To Play On Saturday

The following teams have been chosen to take part in an Interport Cricket trial on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground on Saturday, at 2 p.m.:
A. C. I. Bowker (Capt.), H. D. Bidwell, L. D. Kilbee, Capt. Whitmarsh, A. R. Kitchell, A. H. Madar, C. E. Godby, G. O'Brien, R. E. Lee, P. J. Billimoria, W. H. Colledge.

H. Owen Hughes (Capt.), T. A. Pearce, M. P. Weedon, D. J. N. Anderson, K. Nazarin, L. E. Bide, A. S. Perry, L. D. McLellan, E. Zimmern, A. R. Minu and A. C. Beck.
Reserves—G. Souza, A. P. Pereira and N. A. E. Mackay.

RACE PONY SOLD

Australian Subscription Griffin Fetches \$550

The price of \$550 was paid by Mr. S. T. Williamson for 1939 Australian subscription pony No. 21, when it was sold by public auction in the Jockey Club paddock yesterday. The pony, which is eligible for racing in 1939, is a five-year old chestnut gelding, 14 hands two inches, and sired by Corban.

Another Australian pony, No. 21, was also offered for sale, but had to be withdrawn because there were no bidders. The pony was not entitled to race at any meeting of the Jockey Club as it was not in the draw.

Australian M.P.'s Get Rise

Members of the Federal Parliament are to have their salaries raised to the pre-depression level of \$4,000



A Champion One Day

Maureen Dodd has been a swimmer since she was two years old. She first went into the water at the age of nine months when her father, a warrant officer in the R.A.F., took her swimming in the Mediterranean. Now she is eight and is considered one of England's most promising divers. She has already given a number of displays. The perfect grace of her action is caught in the slow motion camera shots above, as she dived from the top stage at the Kingsfisher Pond, Woodford, Essex.

a year. The prime minister's salary and allowance will also be raised to \$16,000 annually.

CHINESE REVEAL INTEREST

Take Part In Local Cycling

Further interest was added to the Hongkong Cycling Club's Best All-round competition by the qualification of two of last year's most accomplished Chinese riders, S. C. Wong and L. C. Chang, both riders on September 20 putting up faster performances than they had ever done previously. In almost ideal conditions prevailed for the trials, for which the competitors used fixed gears of 70" and 74" respectively, and returned the following times:

	S. C. Wong	L. C. Chang
5 mls.	14.50	20.00
10 mls.	30.07	39.55
15 mls.	45.13	59.07
20 mls.	1.01.13	1.03.20
25 mls.	1.16.59	1.20.03
Aggregate	98.709	125.249
Average	19.741	25.049

On September 22, R. H. McDowell was badly off form and retired at eight miles after starting a 25 miles trial. His five miles figures were 15 mins. 10 secs. and his retirement came after 25 mins. 2 secs. had elapsed. Conditions were rendered harder than usual by the wind direction though in a private trial later in the evening H.A.G. Keates returned the season's fastest time for five miles, clocking 13 mins. 49 secs. to average 27.12 m.p.h., a half-minute faster than his B.A.R. figures for the season, and only 65 secs. outside Colony record. A gear of 85" was used on a fully-equipped machine.

Consequent on the above trials the B.A.R. table now reads:

Rider	5 mls.	10 mls.	15 mls.
H. A. G. Keates	14.10	29.01	43.33
R. H. McDowell	14.50	30.07	45.54
S. C. Wong	14.50	30.07	45.54
L. C. Chang	15.47	30.55	47.10
5 mls.	14.10	29.01	43.33
R. H. McDowell	14.50	30.07	45.54
S. C. Wong	14.50	30.07	45.54
L. C. Chang	15.47	30.55	47.10

Week-end Outing
The strenuous nature of the week-end run failed to reduce the number of participants, and the 10 miles across country between Taiipo and Un-Long were traversed in 4 1/2 hours, by way of Shektauwai and Wing-ningli.

The party left the Alhambra Theatre at 10.45 a.m. and reached Taiipo at 12.15 p.m. Tea was partaken of at Sanui, near Castle Peak, at 3.45 p.m. and the spin concluded at 8.15 p.m., a total of 52 1/2 miles only having been covered.

Next Sunday it is intended to run a tourist time trial, confined to members of the Club, over the Kowloon Circuit "50", starting from the Alhambra Theatre at 9 a.m. sharp. Certificates will be awarded to riders covering the course in 4 1/2 hours or under.

PRACTICE MATCH

The Hongkong Hockey Club have arranged a practice match at King's Park to-morrow at 5 p.m. Members are requested to attend in white or coloured jerseys.

SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Eighth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th and Monday, 10th October, 1938, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

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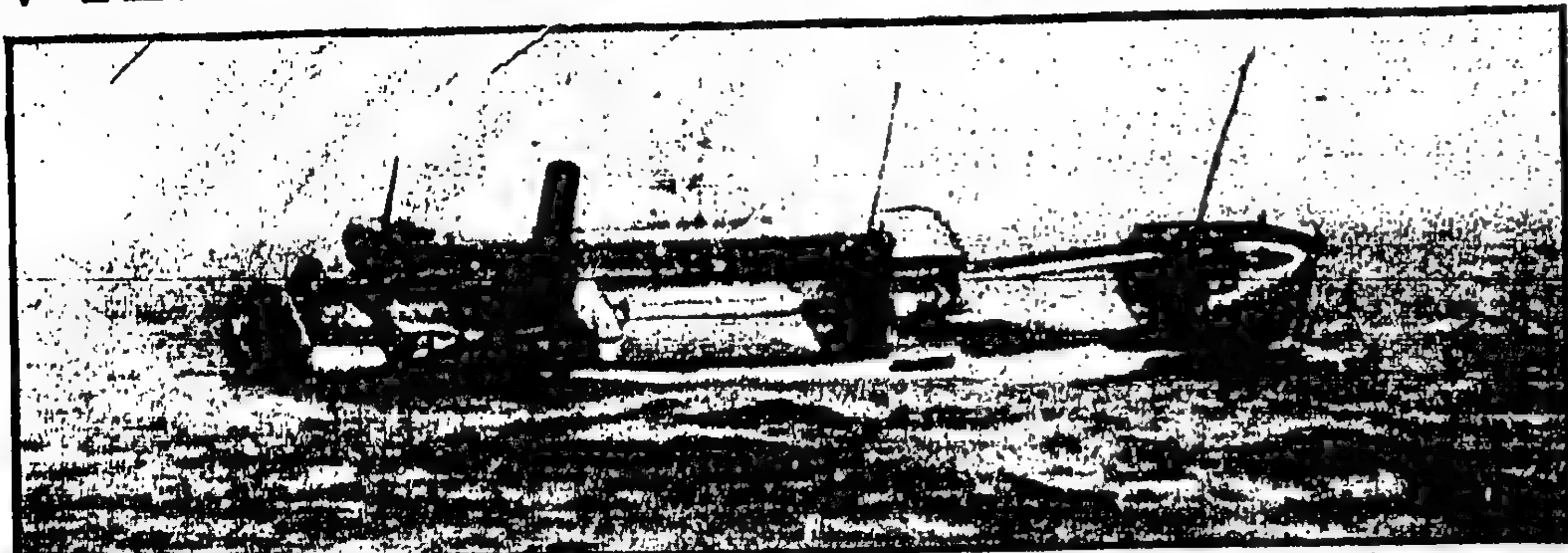
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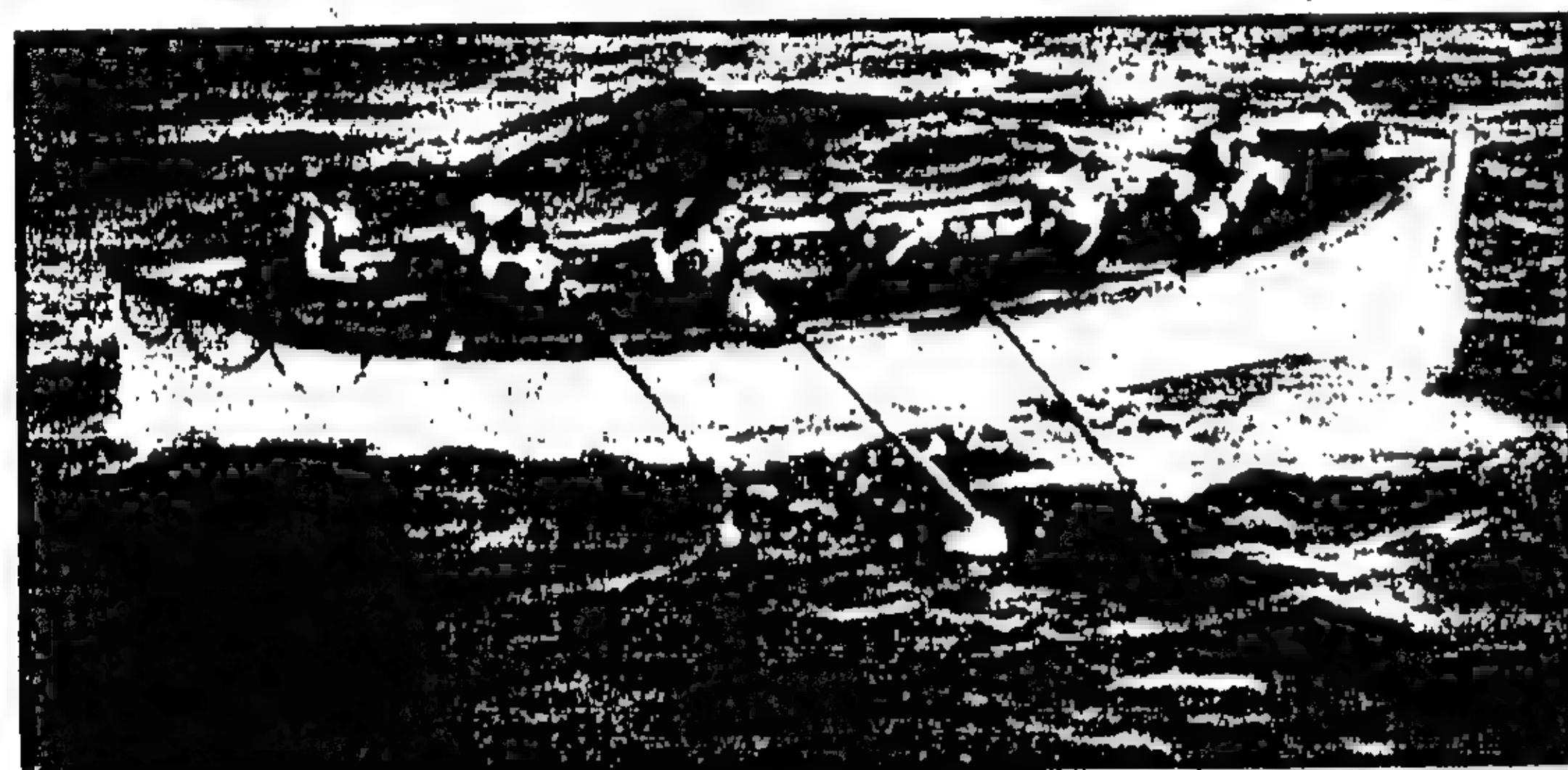
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WAR AND RUMOURS OF WAR



THE GIRALDA had a heavy list and her starboard scuppers were awash. Below, the lifeboat from the Agula returns with six of the rescued crew. These dramatic pictures were taken by one of the passengers in the Agula.



Continuing his campaign to modernize the British army and provide room at the top for others than British aristocrats, Leslie Hore-Bellairs, British War Secretary, has retired 13 more general officers, largest shake-up since the World War. Above, the War Secretary aims a trench mortar, of the Royal Fusiliers at Lympne, Kent, England.



Ghosts of ancient emperors may have listened in as modern ruler of Italy discussed mimic warfare in the rugged mountains of Abruzzi, in Italy's central Apennines. Above, Premier Mussolini, left, studies a map, during the games, while King Victor Emmanuel, right, hears an explanation by a staff officer. Il Duce later led an army to "battle."

GIRL AND TEN MEN SAVED FROM SHIP



Wearing gas masks to make the conditions more realistic, here are members of the British Royal Air Force loading a plane with bombs for a simulated air attack over the Westland section of England. Recent manoeuvres by the force, practising home defence, were the most extensive ever held in that section by the Royal Air Force.

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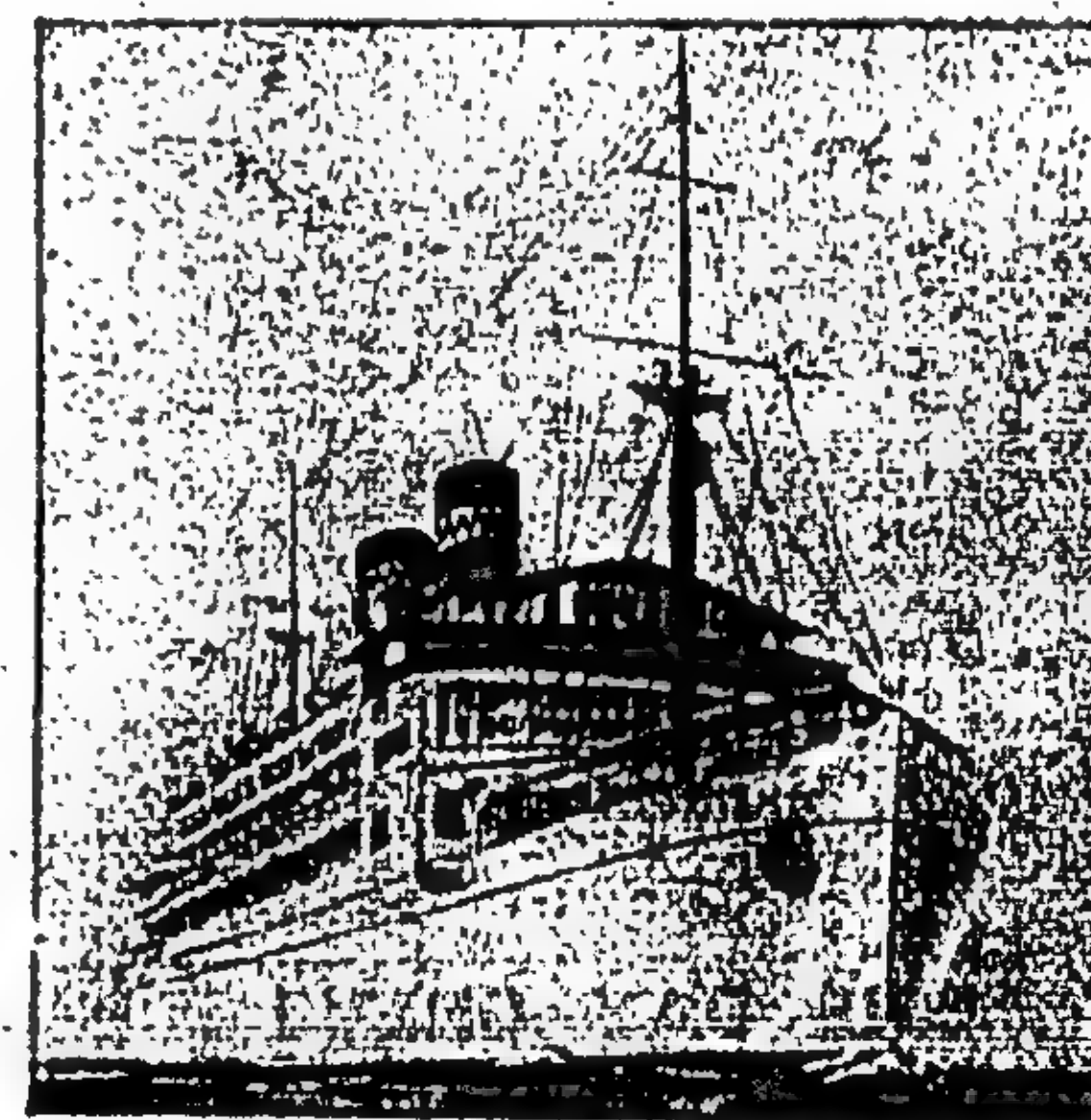
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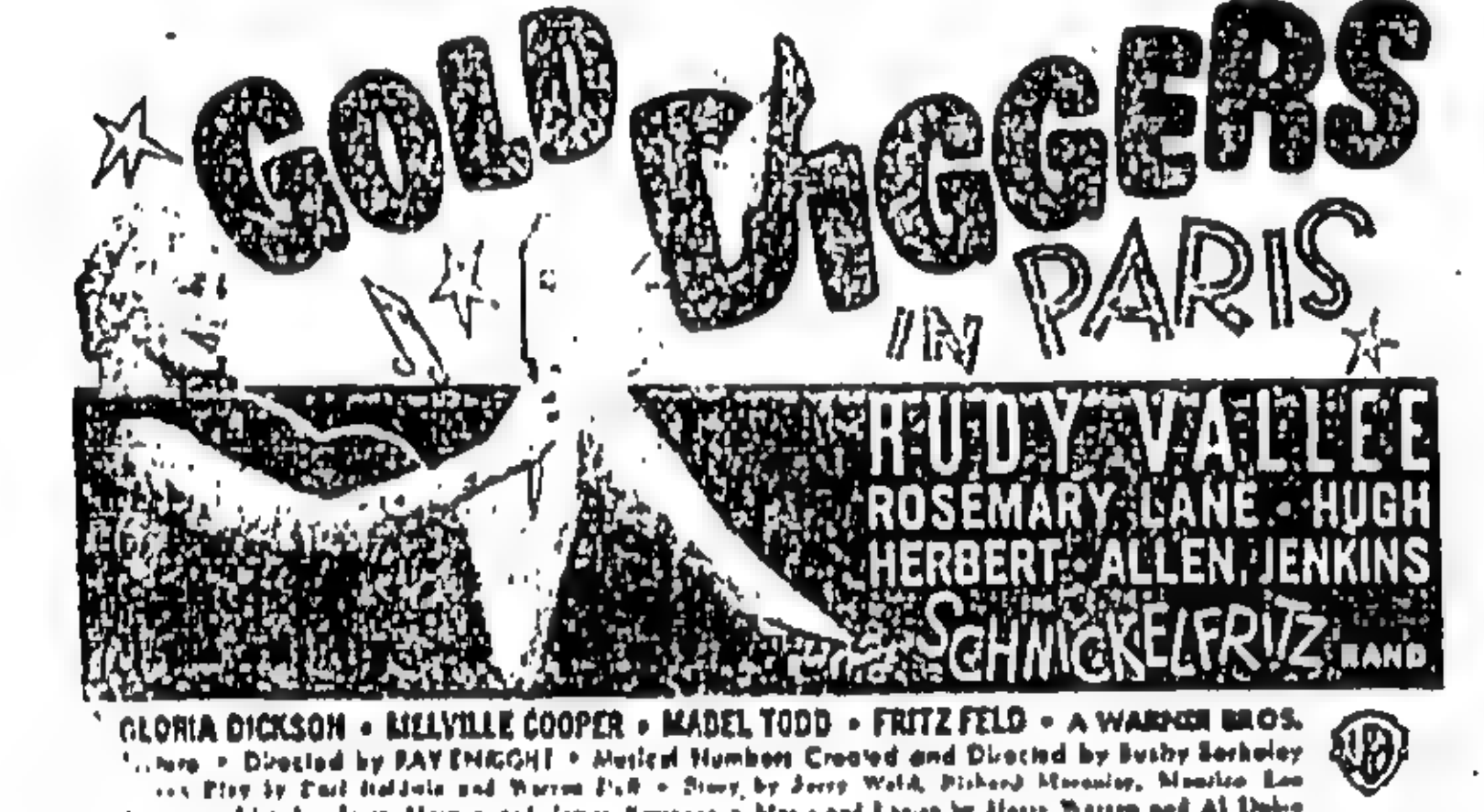
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NEW ROME BANS

Rear-Admiral Paolo Maroni, Commander of the Italian Naval forces at Palma, Majorca, has been recalled by the Ministry of Marine, according to reports in Jewish circles in Rome. Maroni is a Jew. It is believed that he will be placed on the retired list, says the B.C.P.

Hitherto, his Jewish origin has not hampered his career, and he has become one of Italy's most capable men. He fought in the Libyan, World and African wars for Italy and was decorated several times for bravery. He also served as a naval attaché in various capitals.

NEW DECREES
Several decisions—to be put into operation at once—concerning the elimination of Jews from the Civil Service and the armed forces were published by the Italian Government to-day, says the Exchange.

Mussolini, as Minister for the Interior, has suspended 19 Jewish members of the permanent staff of the Home Office. The Minister of Education, Signor Bottai, has privately advised 174 university professors of Jewish origin that, according to the decree, they will be suspended as from October 10, and that their position regarding pensions is being examined.

EXCEPTIONS
No decision has yet been made about Jewish officers and men now serving in the armed forces. It is understood, however, that each case is to be dealt with on its own merits, and that exceptions will be made to the general rule of elimination in cases where special service was rendered in the Great War, in the Abyssinian campaign, in the Spanish war, and in the cause of the Fascist revolution.

The Home newspaper, *Il Tevere*, suggests that the Somino Square, in the Trastevere region, should be renamed. The square was named after Baron Somino, a Jew who was Premier of Italy for 100 days during the world war.

CANTON TELEPHONE

Proposed Increase of The Rates for Long Distance

Canton, Sept. 26.
It is heard here that the Municipal Government has been requested by the telephone administration for permission to advance the tolls for trunk calls. Canton-Hongkong. Though from the start one has had to pay \$2 national currency for a three-minute call, the administration would raise this to \$3. It is desired that this latter rate shall obtain for a year, during which it is expected, owing to the European tension, that the Hongkong dollar will remain at an abnormal disparity with the national dollar. For each extra minute over the three the new rate, if allowed, will be \$1 national currency. At present it is 65 cents. In making the change, the administration is not taking the real Hongkong exchange rate, but figuring H.K. \$10 as the equivalent of \$15 national currency.

40-Year-Old Bill Paid

Altus, Okla.
J. R. Ham had some proof to-day for his contention that "most folks are honest." He received a letter which contained a money order for \$2.75, in payment for a bill incurred at Ham's store in Dew, Tex., more than 40 years ago.

Ruse Baulks Spanking

A 6-year-old daughter here, having been spanked twice by her parents for being late in returning from school, took precautions for the third time. At the time normally due for the spanking she was not present, nor later either. At 10:15 in the evening, her parents found her sleeping in a clothes closet.

Doctors Baffled By Anaesthetics Mystery

Plymouth.
THE British Medical Association Conference here heard how reaction to anaesthetics can be pre-judged from the colour of a patient's hair.

Dr. C. J. M. Dawkins, of London, said: "On seeing a person with red or auburn hair come into a case room one instinctively prepares for difficulty in maintaining a smooth anaesthesia."

"This has been consistently borne out by experiments conducted during the past four months with 700 dental cases. "Given the same anaesthetic fair-haired patients require on an average 52 seconds to lose consciousness; dark-haired 62 seconds; and red-haired 68."

Moreover, 13 per cent. of red-haired patients require restraint, compared with only .05 of dark-haired and .04 of fair-haired. NO EXPLANATION
"I can offer no explanation for this phenomenon. It is possible that some factor yet unrecognized is in operation."

Dr. Dawkins added that three times as many men as women required restraint under an anaesthetic.

Favourable conditions for anaesthesia varied greatly with the weather and barometric pressure. Mortality was highest in winter.

SCATICA TESTS
A new operation for sciatica, tried successfully in America, was described by Dr. Joseph S. Barr, of Boston, Mass.

It had been found, he said, that sciatica might be caused by the displacement of a "disc" at the point of maximum strain in the spine. The damage was located by injecting poppy seed oil into the spine and watching its progress by X-ray. The gap was then bridged by grafting with bone chippings.

The operation had been performed 83 times in Massachusetts, said Dr. Barr. Only two subjects died. In most cases the operation gave prompt and complete relief.

The suggestion that Britain's infant mortality rate might be halved by a reversion from the fashion of artificial feeding to breast feeding was made by Dr. J. Spence, honorary physician to Newcastle-on-Tyne Babies' Hospital.

FEEDING OF BABIES
"The infant mortality rate in Britain remains twice as high as that in many other countries," he said. "In some of our industrial towns it remains three times as high as, for example, in towns of similar size in Australia."

"This means that of the 40,000 deaths of infants each year in Britain 20,000 might be prevented. "Twenty to 30 per cent. of babies are artificially fed from birth in many if not most of our big towns. It is beyond all question that breast-fed infants show a greater freedom from disease and a greater power of recovery than artificially-fed infants."

FURTHER STUDY NEEDED
"The effects of natural feeding on the mother's character, temperament and mental outlook deserved more study, he continued.

"In my experience it is emotional disturbances in which the father is concerned that have the greatest inhibiting effect. But over-anxiety about the mother's ability to feed her infant is almost as harmful. "The behaviour of the father during and shortly after the birth of the child, although often a subject for ridicule, is significant enough to suggest a remnant of some remote biological purpose. As such it has been studied by the anthropologists."

HUSBAND'S DUTY.
"It is sufficient to say that in the early stages he should remain an admiring and protective figure in the background while his wife receives the ministrations and exhortations of a sagacious and experienced woman."

Dr. Ethel Cassie, of Birmingham, said that the general opinion among maternity and child welfare workers was that over-anxiety and the fact that the mother had to go out to work were among the causes of the decline in natural baby feeding.

At the same time, it could not be shown that the death-rate among artificially-fed infants was abnormal. Modern artificial baby foods were extremely satisfactory, she said, and added: "I think we can congratulate ourselves on the high standard of health of our babies to-day."

PUZZLING POINTS

Four Months' Old Summons Dismissed in Kowloon

Giving the benefit of the doubt to the defence, Mr. K. M. A. Barnett dismissed a summons against Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, agents for the Blue Funnel steamer Mentor, for endorsing a Harbour Office permit to work cargo on a Sunday night as "Not Used" when cargo had been discharged at the time. The case came up at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday after a four-months' adjournment.

Evidence was called to state that cargo had not been worked at the time alleged, namely 8.20 p.m. on Sunday, April 24, and that was why the permit, which allowed working between the hours of 8 p.m. and midnight, had been returned.

Mr. D. B. Evans appeared for the defendants, while Inspector Shephard and Police Sergeant Mattinson were present for the police.

It was stated at the previous hearing, on May 27, that steel cargo had been unloaded at 8.20 p.m., and the Chief Officer had voluntarily signed a statement to that effect. The case was then adjourned as the Mentor was on her way to England.

Yesterday, Mr. R. Blakey, the Chief Officer, testified that work had stopped at 5 p.m. and the hatches closed. At 8 p.m. a police sergeant went into his cabin and asked him if he had been working cargo, and he admitted that he had but only during the day. A permit had been issued and used for the day working.

The police sergeant then asked witness to sign a paper but he refused, having signed one already in the morning. However, he finally did so under protest when told that if he had been working that day he would have to, and that he might have to do so a third time.

Corroborative evidence was given by the Second Officer, Mr. A. N. C. Choi, and the Second Engineer, Mr. I. W. Clarke.

In dismissing the case, His Worship said there had been one or two puzzling points which had not been cleared up satisfactorily, and he regretted that, because of the length of time, it was now impossible to produce any independent evidence.

Woman, 100, Does Chores

Bronson, Mich.
Mrs. Mary Sikorsky decided it wouldn't be any rocking chair and lace for her on her 100th birthday—she celebrated it by helping her son with the chores as she has done every day for years.

Trains Outracing Autos

Boise, Ida.
E. T. Spencer, state traffic safety director, has issued a plea for motorists "to give up the old idea" of trying to beat trains to the railway crossings. In six given cases so far this year, the train got there first, with a total of 11 casualties.

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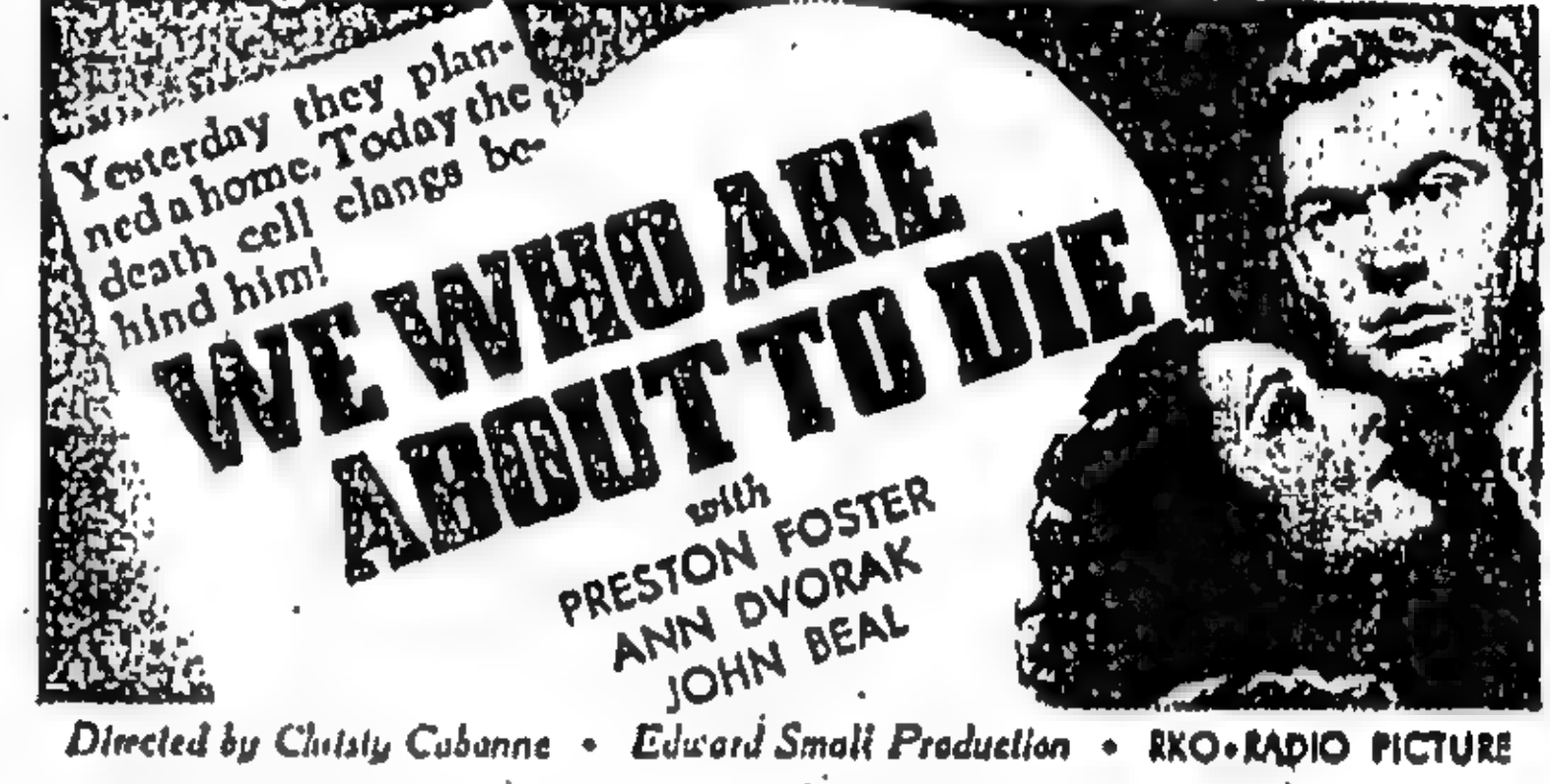
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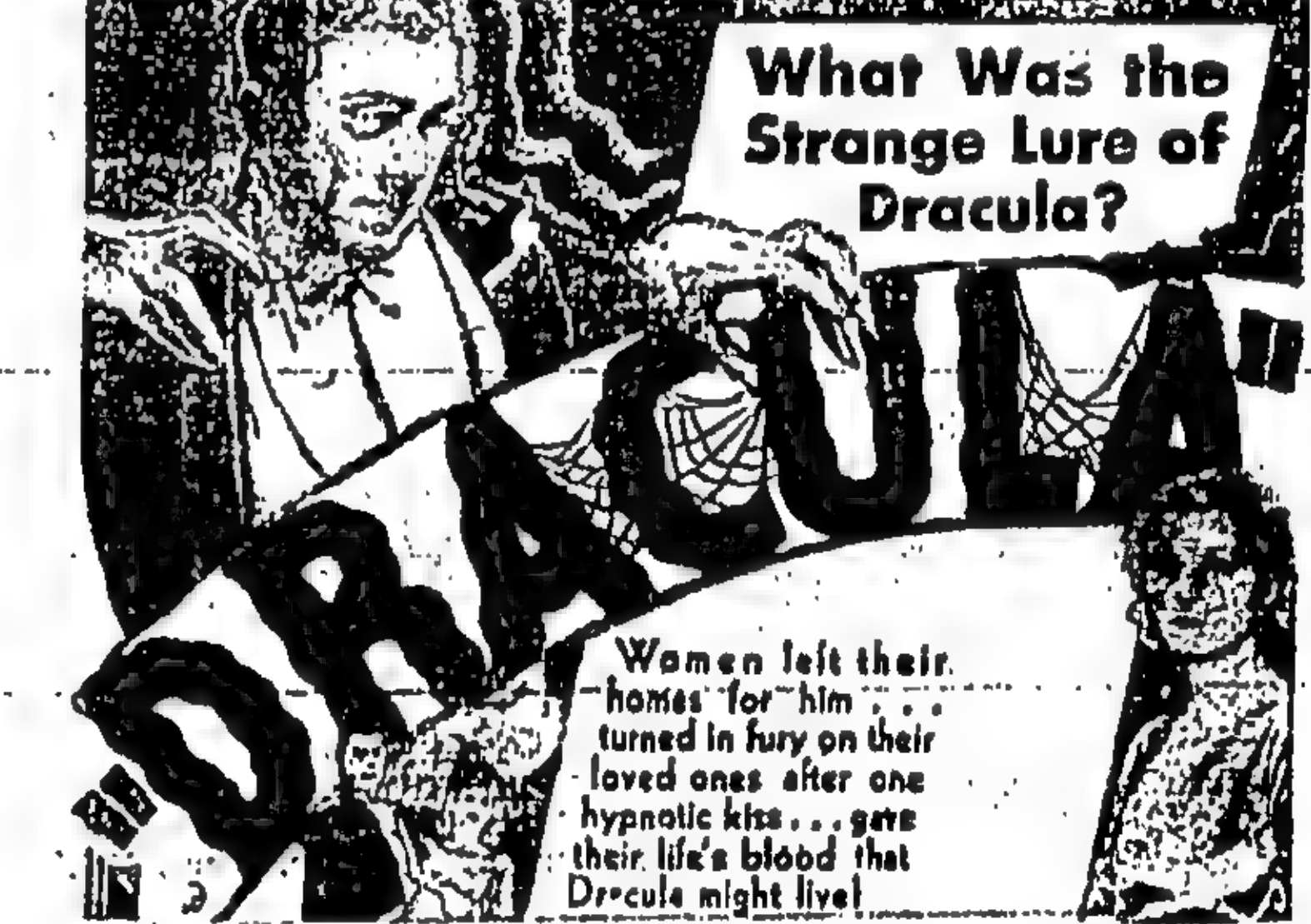
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FEATHERS FLY HIGH!

—on the new

TALL HATS

Autumn
Fashion
Notes
by
Mary
Grace



The brim of Erik's red-brown felt hat has a swashbuckling air. A curling black ostrich feather with a fly-away look perches on top of the tapering crown which is encircled with black ribbon.

Black quills give an illusion of height to the wide-brimmed hat by Suzy with its narrow, flower pot crown. The smart velvet toque, by the same designer, is edged with a broad band of skunk, a fashionable trimming which makes a becoming frame for the lace.

Suzy, who has created so many lovely hats for the Duchess of Kent. Styles are not all for the very young. The new upward sweep of the hat leaves curls in view and enables hats to be worn forward and angled at a smart tilt. In fact, I have seen more millinery suitable for matrons this season than for many a year.

Velvet Toques

There is a determined effort to bring back the toque and, while some are swathed affairs, others are of velvet arranged in soft folds, but all have an Edwardian look about them.

Let the girls have their turn first. Illustrated is one of the new sports hats from Erik. These are very dashing and have a distinctly swashbuckling air with their turned up brims and important crowns.

There's a tendency, too, to combine two colours, so choose your hat to match your suit or coat and have the trimming in a contrasting hue.

Some of the newest combinations are blotting paper grey with maroon or kingfisher blue, moss green with red and canary yellow, navy and wine, stone blue and brick, carrot and fog blue.

The model illustrated is in red brown felt trimmed with a black ribbon and a towering black feather.

Which reminds me that there will be a lot of black hats during the coming season. The two other models are carried out in all black and show what can be done with cleverly worked crowns.

These are for the older woman; the high toque shape at the bottom has an edging of skunk, while black quills give

an illusion of height to the wide-brimmed hat. There are also small hats which are not really small, a cuff-like point on either side giving sufficient width to make them becoming to the majority of faces, especially where foreheads are broad and chins too rounded.

So when buying a new hat choose dashing curly brimmed styles, position shapes with crowns of moderate height if you are twenty; pill-box styles of hatters' plush trimmed with curly ostrich plumes are for smart young marrieds; while matrons will prefer wide-brimmed felts and toques. But whatever your age, if you fancy a veil, wear it, and as you like it—tied over the face, flying in the wind, or bunched at the back.

IT'S GREENGAGE!

A WELCOME change for tea is greengage jam. It has a nutty flavour which most folk appreciate.

Ingredients: 4lb. greengages, 4lb. sugar, 3 pint water. Wash the fruit, cut it in halves, and remove stones. Crack the latter and blanch the kernels in boiling water, then add to the fruit. Simmer gently for three-quarters of an hour with the water until the contents are tender and reduced in quantity.

Add the sugar, bring to the boil, then boil rapidly, stirring all the time until a little will set when tested on a cold saucer. Pour into pots and seal at once.

Glory Of White Hair

The lucky possessor of snow-white hair is much in the mode nowadays, when the leading hair-dressers are concocting new and delicate rinses to make white hair even more chic and becoming than it is already.

Pale blue and lavender rinses are lovely with blue or grey eyes and fair colouring, while the lavender tint is also attractive with dark eyes. A new tint, however—and all these rinses leave only the faintest suspicion of colour, of course—is a pale peach pink which looks really exquisite with a fair skin.

Coffee-Coloured Pearls

Necklaces made of dark brown or coffee-coloured pearl beads are very popular just now.

They are especially liked by women who have sun-tanned skins, upon which the pearls are particularly becoming.

Usually the pearls are quite large and the necklaces of "choke" length.

Sequin necklaces are also to be seen. They consist of gilt beads which have coloured sequins massed between them. On black dresses these necklaces are particularly attractive.

Hay Diet Hints

One Should Not Eat Between Meals

Why is it stressed that one should not eat between meals?

Eating between meals does not give the digestive organs a chance to rest. It is feasible that this may in time cause them to work inadequately and inefficiently. The "snack" taken between meals may not be compatible with the previous meal, or with the one to follow in which case digestion will be incomplete and retarded.

What is meant by acidity?

A state of actual acidity is not possible. The state is more correctly expressed as deficient alkalinity. A healthy body is 80 per cent. alkaline and 20 per cent. acid.

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Can you tell me about what tension to use when machining gear-cuts?

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ANOTHER INCIDENT IN TIENTSIN AS SOLDIERS CLASH

Japanese Demand Apology for Alleged Violence By French

TOKYO, SEPT. 26.

FRANCO-JAPANESE TENSION IN TIENTSIN REACHED A HIGH PITCH AS THE RESULT OF ANOTHER INCIDENT INVOLVING FRENCH SOLDIERS AND JAPANESE GENDARMES, WHICH OCCURRED ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON NEAR THE BOUNDARY BETWEEN THE FRENCH CONCESSION AND THE THIRD SPECIAL DISTRICT.

Press messages from Tientsin indicate that a group of French soldiers attempted to pass a corner of the Third Special District in Tientsin, disregarding the notice "No Thoroughfare."

A Japanese foreman called attention of the French soldiers to the notice, when one of the French soldiers struck and injured the Japanese in the left eye. The French soldier was arrested by Japanese gendarmes who came up to the scene.

MYSTERIOUS WRECK OF RAIDER FOUND

Canton, Sept. 27.
Three Japanese are believed to be at large somewhere near Lockhang, their bullet riddled plane having been found at Wauling Hill quite near the city.

The plane, a heavy bomber, was apparently shot down about ten days ago and in one of the seats was the decomposing body of one flier.

The flying suits of three other Japanese airmen which were found near the plane indicated, however, that the men escaped injury in the crash and are now at large.

The plane presents something of a mystery since it cannot be ascertained who shot it down or where it was hit. Apparently the anti-aircraft fire at Lockhang scored this success, but the plane may have landed here after being hit from some A.A. gun many miles away.

An intensive search for the missing Japanese fliers was instituted immediately the authorities learned of the plane.

Large-Size Bill Appears

Butte, Mont.
At least one American citizen knows what to do with currency that is out of circulation. He sent in one of the old 1914 \$5 bills, which have been out of circulation for years, in payment of his taxes.

Strongly protesting to the French authorities against the alleged act of violence, the Japanese authorities made a 3-point demand, which was accepted by the French, reports say. The three requests include a formal apology by the French garrison commander to the Japanese military commander, punishment of the soldiers responsible for the incident, and guarantee for the future, press reports point out.—Domei.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday, says:

The market opened on the quiet side and remained so during the day. No changes of any importance were recorded.

Buyers
Hongkong Bank \$1,450
Union Insurance \$507½
H.K. Tramways \$18.70
Peak Tram (Old) \$61½
H.K. Electric \$38½

Sellers
Hongkong Bank \$1,450
H.K. Tramways \$18.00
H.K. Electric \$38½
Telephones (Old) \$26½

Sales
Star Ferries \$77½
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Astramok's \$5.25
Hagulu Gold 24
Benguel Canal \$11.50
Coco Grove 41½
Consolidated Mines 004
Demonstrations 27½
L. X. L. 54
San Maurice 73
United Paracales 22½

U. S. COMMODITY PRICES LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Sept. 26.

New York Cotton

	Opening	Closing
October	7.75/76	7.70/76
December	7.70/76	7.70/76
Jan. (1939)	7.70/77	7.70/76
March (1939)	7.70/79	7.70/79
May (1939)	7.75/76	7.70/77
July (1939)	7.70/75	7.75/75
Spot		7.82

New York Rubber

	September	15.01 N
December	15.05/08	15.05/10.01
March	15.77/08	15.58/10.01
May	15.75/08	15.58/10.01

Sales for the day:—8,100 tons

	Chicago Wheat	
Dec.	67½/68½	67½/67½
May	68½/68	67½/68
July		67½/67½

Saturday's Sales:—33,220,000 bushels.

	Chicago Corn	
Dec.	51¼/51¼	51¼/51¼
May	53¼/53¼	54/54¼
July		54½/54½

	Winnipeg Wheat	
Oct.	67½/67½	68½/68½
Dec.	66½/66½	67½/67½
May		70½/70½

Quoits Record Set

Melbourne.
A new Australian quoits record was established here when 19-year-old Fred Stapleton pitched 1,001 "ringers" in 1 hour and 20 minutes. They were pitched at a distance of 9 feet and at the rate of 20 per minute. He has been in competitive quoits for only two years.



JAPAN TIGHTENS ITS BELT—Economic and financial stringency in Japan is becoming widely known, but to impress the crisis deeply on the people of the nation, these men bearing sandwich signs are parading in Tokyo's four largest shopping centres during the Economic War Week. The signs urge the people to buy thriftily and save all they can.

BRITAIN DEFINES POSITION

(Continued from Page 1.)

out overlapping on other engagements and negotiations.

It is recalled here that Mr. Clement Attlee, the Leader of the Opposition, has twice since the Czech problem became serious requested the Prime Minister to summon Parliament. The Premier declined to do so immediately and said he would comply with the request if and when the circumstances made a meeting earlier than November 1 desirable.

The Government has therefore recognised that the situation is such that the public should be fully informed of the details and background of recent events in the international negotiations.

The Government supporters are preparing rallying notices to send to their supporters to-morrow afternoon.—United Press.

Germany Does Not Want Blame

Berlin, Sept. 27.
The German Government has issued a statement that "in the event of the Germans attempting to force the Czechs to stand by their promise to cede the Sudeten areas, and France feeling it obligatory to assist Czechoslovakia, then the consequences will be the result not of German attacking the Czechs but of the Czechs' failure to stand by their word and breaking their pledge."

This is interpreted as a notification that the British and French would not be justified in resisting a German invasion of Czechoslovakia if the invasion was the result of the Czechs' failure to deliver up the Sudeten areas to Germany, as they are stage promised to do.—United Press.

Not Burned Boats

Paris, Sept. 27.
Herr Hitler has not burned his boats. This is the comment in official circles here on the speech made by the Fuehrer at the Spa. Palace last night.

Nevertheless these circles realise that the Chancellor in his speech stuck to the exact terms of the latest Memorandum and still sets a definite time limit.

Some well-informed persons in the Quai d'Orsay state that after removing the word war and the rhetorical matter from the speech it then is seen to exclude all hope of a peaceful settlement.

Other, however, emphasise its intransigence and place little confidence in its assurances to Britain and France.—Reuter.

Left Door Ajar?

Berlin, Sept. 27.
The speech was considered here as somewhat more conciliatory than expected, even to the extent of leaving the door slightly ajar for quick negotiations.

But the impression prevails in foreign political circles, nevertheless, that Germany will definitely march into the Sudeten areas on October 1.—Reuter.

Serious Incident Involves Poles

Teschen, Sept. 27.
A serious incident has occurred at Brynzal, two miles north of here, on the Polish frontier.

Polish frontier guards, armed with machine guns, have killed one Czech policeman and three Poles who were seeking to enter Polish territory, besides wounding 15 Poles. The disturbance started when Czech guards saw a group of 40 Poles attempting to cross the Olsa

River Into Poland from Czech territory.—United Press.

CZECH Parliament Summoned

London, Sept. 26.
Parliament has been summoned to meet on Wednesday and only private notice questions will be taken before the Prime Minister rises to make a full statement on the international situation.

In order that members of the House of Lords should have an opportunity to hear the Premier's statement, the Lords will adjourn forthwith, it being proposed to put down to motion being discussed in that House on the following afternoon.—British Wireless.

Americans Throng Paris Banks

Paris, Sept. 27.
American Express Company's offices and American banks here are selling only a limited number of dollar notes to people who are able to prove they need them.

They refuse to sell dollars to foreigners, however, and some Frenchmen are attempting to buy amounts of up to ten thousand American dollars.

Americans preparing to leave for home are thronging the banks.—United Press.

Rush For Visas

London, Sept. 27.
The United States Consulate here is overwhelmed with applications for visas from non-Americans who are anxious to leave for the United States on account of their fear that war will break out in Europe.

The Consulate has instituted a rule that those holding steamship reservations will be dealt with first. Officials have found that dozens of English people and other European nationalities have obtained visas by trying to obtain a visa as a precautionary measure, although there is no chance of obtaining a steamship passage for at least a couple of months.

Pressure of work has resulted in a delay in the granting of visas to bona fide travellers with passages booked.—United Press.

Labour Meeting

London, Sept. 26.
The Opposition Leader, Mr. Clement Attlee, and the Deputy Leader, Mr. Greenwood, were received by the Prime Minister this afternoon and informed of the latest developments, including the results of the Anglo-French discussions.

An emergency meeting of the National Council of Labour was held later to consider these developments. The Labour Party Executive and the Executive of the Parliamentary Labour Party will meet again on Tuesday to discuss the procedure to be adopted at Wednesday's meeting of Parliament.

Mr. Attlee is the principal speaker to-night at a demonstration at the Empress Stadium.—British Wireless.

PROTESTANT PRIMATE OF IRELAND DIES

Dublin, Sept. 27.
Dr. Day, the Protestant Primate of all Ireland, died to-day at the age of 64 years.—Reuter.

Dr. John Godfrey Fitzmaurice Day was Bishop of Ossory, Ferns and Leighlin from 1920 and was appointed in April this year Primate of All Ireland in succession to Dr. Charles Frederick D'Arcy, former Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland.

Dr. Day, who started his career as a missionary, has been Vicar of St. Anne's Church, Dublin, Canon of Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, and Professor of Pastoral Theology in the University of Dublin.



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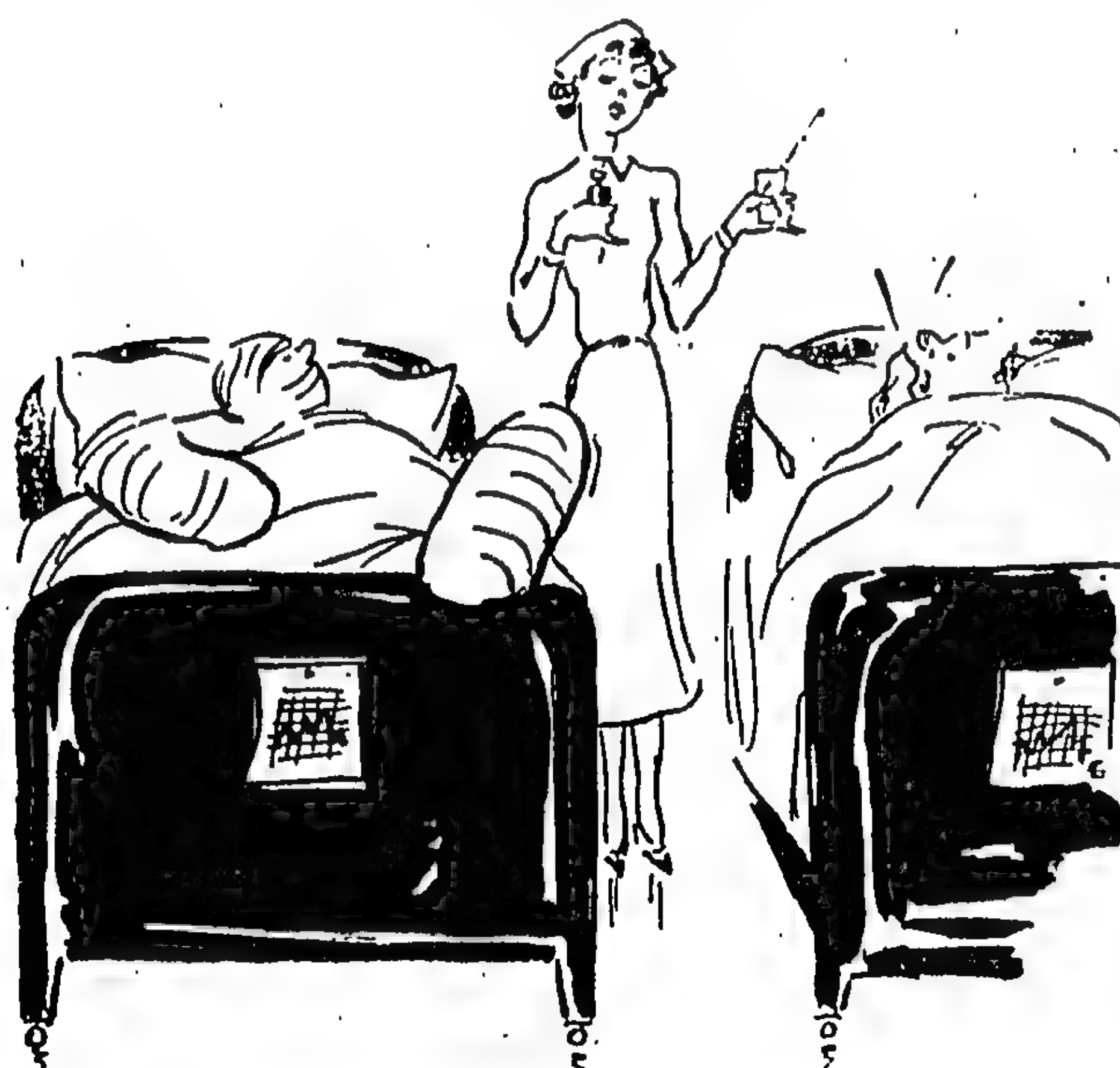
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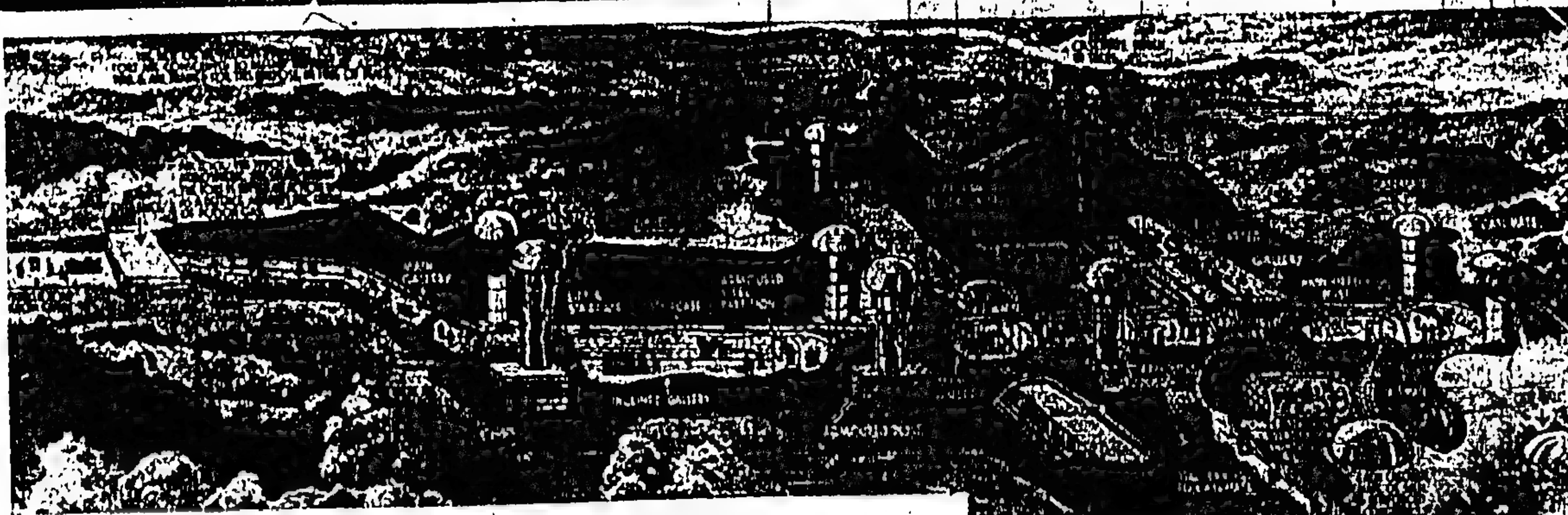


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"GIVE SUDETENS LIBERTY OR WE WILL FETCH IT"

BERLIN, Sept. 26. PATRIOTIC enthusiasm in the streets of Berlin and the serious look on the faces of the crowds which thronged them were apparent as the hour approached for Herr Hitler to deliver his speech in the crisis.

Endless columns of Brown Shirts paraded the streets and lined the roads leading to the Sports Palace, where Herr Hitler was to talk, while the pavements were crowded by anxious people who had assembled to watch the Fuehrer pass by.

Half of Herr Hitler's audience of 30,000 were women. The slogan in the huge hall was "Germans in Czecho-Slovakia are not defenceless or deserted."

There were 500 Sudestons present, many of them in white shirts, black ties, black breeches and red arm-bands.

The arrival of the Chancellor was greeted with deafening cheers. Dr. Goebbels immediately opened the demonstration by the simple statement "The Peoples' Demonstration of September 26 is open."

HISTORIC HOUR

"My leaders, you speak in an historic hour which holds Europe breathless and you speak to all Germany and to the whole world," he continued. "No threat, no pressure, no matter from where, can cause you to deviate from our unconditional demands."

Herr Hitler at the outset of his speech referred to the Anschluss and recalled February 22, when he expressed for the first time the fundamental unconditional demands of Germany.

"One statesman failed to understand that statement sufficiently and has been removed. I have kept my promise, he said.

"The second time I spoke it was at Nuremberg. To-day the world must know that it is no longer a man who speaks but a whole nation.

"It is really not Czecho-Slovakia I speak of but Europe. Germany's foreign policy is one of world philosophy. We do not want to suppress other nations, we want to be happy according to our viewpoint."

DEMAND FOR EQUALITY

Herr Hitler recalled several suggestions made to demonstrate Germany's love of peace. The first was the demand for equality.

"We were prepared," he said, "to renounce all armaments if the other nations did the same. Germany's offer to restrict the army to 200,000 men was declined as were similar offers to renounce heavy artillery and bombing planes, or even all planes, and to abolish gas warfare and heavy tanks."

"Then I gave the order for the German Army to be made as strong as possible. Now I can confess that we have carried out rearmament such as the world has never seen. If they do not want war with our armies then the German people still have their weapons."

"I have spent thousands of millions on rearmament in the past five years and General Goering has carried out order 'to create an air force which will protect Germany' and we now have the best air defence, the best tank defence in the world."

Later Herr Hitler claimed that he carried out a practical peace policy, the most difficult problem of which was German-Polish relationship.

"It is true there was no democracy in Poland," he said. "Democracies are full of peace phrases but are the bloodiest of war inciters."

Herr Hitler expressed conviction that the German-Polish agreement now provides a lasting peace because Poland would always want access to the sea. The understanding reached was worth more than all the idle chatter at the League of Nations Palace.

OFFERED ENGLAND HIS HAND

"I have offered England our hand. I have renounced building more than a given number of ships in order to give England a feeling of security and peace."

"One thing is important: it won't

do for one nation to say 'I will build no more ships' while another says 'I will soon be making another war if it suits me'."

"We hope among the English the people who want peace gain the upper hand."

Referring to France Herr Hitler said: "We two great nations both want to live and work in peace, and both will do that best if we co-operate."

He referred to the Anglo-Italian friendship, a strong union of hearts and recalled that he had removed the Italo-German problem (presumably a reference to the Tyrol) and then referred to Austria and Czecho-Slovakia as the only two small remaining problems.

Referring to Czecho-Slovakia Herr Hitler declared that "it is the last territorial claim I have to make in Europe but one which I will not renounce."

"If France did not abandon her claims to ten million Frenchmen in Alsace Lorraine for forty years, then before God and the world we have a right to claim these ten million Germans."

WAR OF "EXTERMINATION"

"Czecho-Slovakia began with a lie when Central Europe was atomised after the war."

"Dr. Benes was the father of this lie when he said at Versailles that the Czecho-Slovak nation existed, and Dr. Benes promised the Swiss Cantonal system. Then a war of extermination began and 600,000 Germans had been forced to quit Czecho-Slovakia to escape starvation by which Dr. Benes had resolved to exterminate the German element."

"(Prolonged cries of Shame.)"

"Bolshevism has used this State as her channel into Central Europe," Herr Hitler continued. He denounced Dr. Benes for forcing the non-Czech minorities into the army to fight against their own people.

"Directly we occupied Austria I said that no Czech shall serve in the German Army. If the Reich implements a man who obligates against his country from the pulpit there is great excitement prevailing in Great Britain but no notice is taken when hundreds of thousands of minorities are ruthlessly suppressed."

ONE MAN UNDERSTANDS US

"There is one man who understands us—my great friend Signor Benito Mussolini (cries of Hail) and we shall not forget what he has done. And if the hour shall arrive, I shall stand before the German people and summon it to take the same attitude towards Italy and Italy and Germany shall defend each other like one bloc."

Returning to the question of Czecho-Slovakia Herr Hitler bitterly denounced Dr. Benes and said that in the May elections held in the Sudeten areas Dr. Benes occupied the territory with military (cries of "Bloody Dog").

Referring to England's intervention, the Chancellor said he had explained to Mr. Chamberlain the only possible solution and assured him "we will not continue to watch how this madman handles three and a half million people."

"The British Prime Minister has been left in no doubt that Germany has come to the end of her patience," Sir Frederick Maurice took certain proposals to Herr Hitler on September 25 and offered the services of the Legion during the determination of the new frontiers in Czecho-Slovakia.

"Dr. Benes sat in Prague and said 'England and France will back me.' FULL AND FINAL DEMANDS. Herr Hitler then declared that his Memorandum containing the full

Japan Rounds Up "Popular Front" Members

Tokyo, Sept. 27. Over 140 alleged members of the Japanese "Popular Front" who were arrested on December 14, last year, and on February 1, this year, have been committed for trial on charges of having violated the peace maintenance law.

Five leading members are not included in the present list, because their preliminary examinations by the police authorities have not been completed yet on account of their ill-health or for other undisclosed reasons.—Domei.

and final demands contained only what Dr. Benes had agreed to.

"In short, my memorandum demands that the people who are German and want to come to Germany shall come to Germany."

Herr Hitler then outlined the full demands as put forth in the memorandum made public yesterday and presented to the Prague authorities on Sunday afternoon.

Referring to the suggested international control commission to supervise voting during the plebiscite Herr Hitler said he had stated already to-day that he was ready to invite the British Legion which had declared itself willing to come in.

Dr. Benes would, however, have to surrender the preponderantly German areas by October 1."

Herr Hitler then expressed his gratitude to Mr. Chamberlain in his efforts and said that he had already explained to the British leader that Germany wants peace and had assured him, "and I repeat it here, that after the Czech problem is settled I have no further territorial claims in Europe."

"If the Czechs solved the problem of their own and other minorities decently, then the Czech nation does not interest me any further and so far as I am concerned I can guarantee it."

"Dr. Benes has peace or war in his own hands. Either he gives the Sudeten Germans liberty or we fetch this liberty, Herr Hitler concluded.—Reuter.

"We Will Follow"

Berlin, Sept. 26. As the Chancellor concluded his speech the crowd of 30,000 who had been his enthusiastic audience gave an amazing demonstration of their enthusiasm.

Rising from their seats men and women shouted in unison, "The Fuehrer commands. We will follow!"—United Press.

Germany's Right

Berlin, Sept. 26. An article of the semi-official organ of the German Foreign Office The German-Diplomatic Political Correspondence the appearance of which on Sunday evening is exceptional—explains the German attitude towards the situation created by the consent of Prague's Government to cede the territories.

The paper declares that the Czech claim to the Sudeten German territory was "no longer legal but at most de facto for the time being."

The organ concludes from this that "the claim of the German Reich to this territory is from the practical point of view unchallenged and therefore recognition must be given to Germany's right to prevent damage to the property in these regions and to protect its inhabitants."—Trans-Ocean.

British Legion Offers Its Services

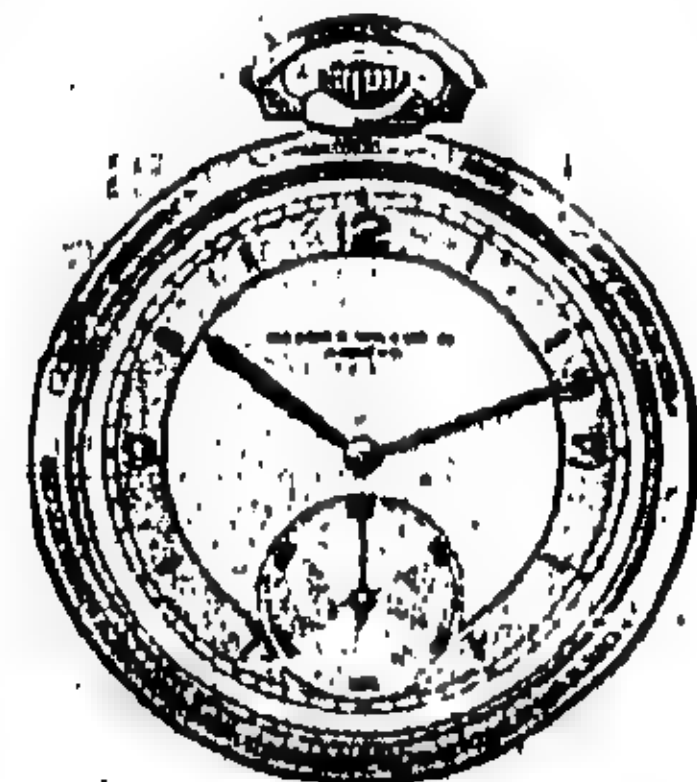
London, Sept. 27. An explanation of Herr Hitler's reference to the British Legion is given in an announcement that, with Mr. Chamberlain's consent, the President of the British Legion, Major General Sir Frederick Maurice, took certain proposals to Herr Hitler on September 25 and offered the services of the Legion during the determination of the new frontiers in Czecho-Slovakia.

Sir Maurice returned to London by air yesterday and told Herr Hitler's reply before the Prime Minister.—Reuter.

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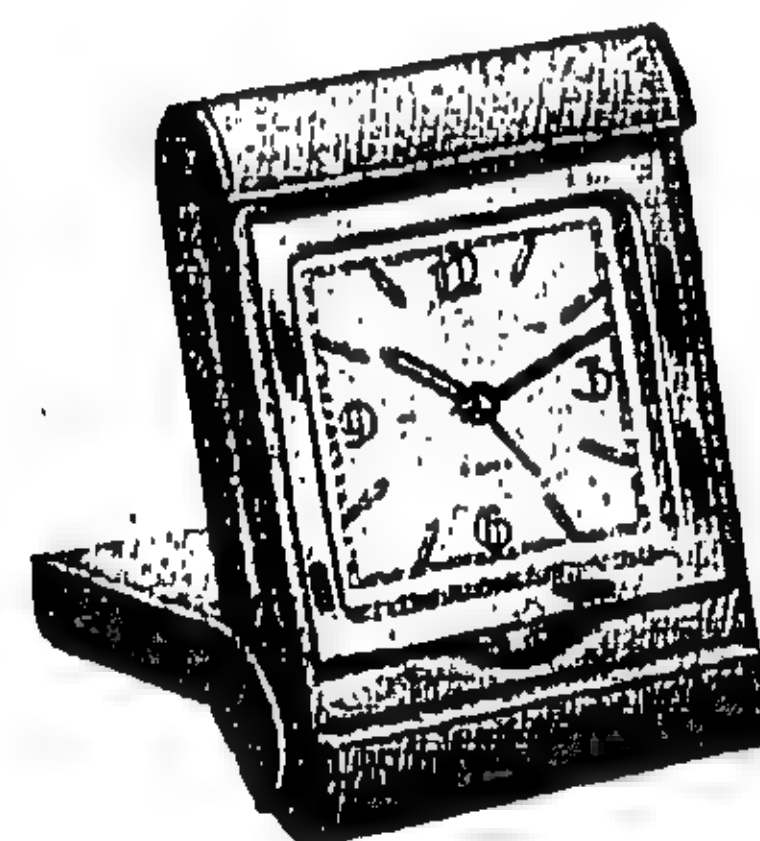
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MASS AIR RAID ON CANTON

Canton, Sept. 27. First mass raid for weeks, was carried out this morning when 44 planes raided Kwangtung, presumably coming from Tongkwan. Thirty-two of the raiders appeared over Canton and heavily bombed the Szechuen district. The others appeared to be proceeding to Kwangsi. The return of so many raiders indicates return of one or more large Japanese aircraft-carriers to Tongkwan.

Meanwhile the Chinese press reports increasing Japanese and French navy concentrations off Hainan and Paracels. The total number of French units off the Paracels now is nine, while a French aircraft carrier is reported to be crossing the Gulf of Tongking to Hainan.—United Press.

Scores Killed in Hankow

Hankow, Sept. 27. Scores of civilians were killed and wounded and a number of houses set on fire during the third "visit" of Japanese bombers here yesterday afternoon, when they released about 40 bombs at Wangchiatun.—Central News.

Demolishes Waterworks

Canton, Sept. 27. At 9.30 a.m. Japanese planes raided Szechuen and scored nine direct hits on the old waterworks. As the new waterworks in Szechuen are already out of action as the result of bombing

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All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISYA.
Hongkong, 28th September, 1938.

It is now feared that Canton will be without water supplies for the next three months.

Shameen will not be affected, however, since the Municipal Council has its own waterworks.

The old Szechuen works were built at a cost of between one and a half and two million Hongkong dollars and are now very considerably demolished.—Reuter.

POST OFFICE.

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From	Per	Due
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For	Per	Date and Time.
Tuesday		
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Shanghai and Chengtu, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (to further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Reg.	Sept. 27, 4.30 p.m.
	Ord.	Sept. 27, 5 p.m.

Wednesday		
Samshui and Wuchow	Kongling	Wed., Sept. 28, 8.15 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Heliou	Wed., Sept. 28, 9.30 a.m.
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Milan	0.1 1/2	0.1 1/2
Oslo	10.90	10.90
Amsterdam	0.02 1/2	0.02 1/2
Copenhagen	19.30 1/2	19.30 1/2
Prague	130 1/2	130 1/2
Helsingfors	226 1/2	226 1/2
New York	4.82 1/2	4.75 1/2
Bucharest	665	660
Vienna	Nom.	Nom.
Lisbon	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong	15.40	15.38
Shanghai	8 1/2	8 1/2
Bombay	1.51 1/2	1.51 1/2
Yokohama	1/2	1/2
Delgrade	218	213
Montevideo	4.02 1/2	4.02 1/2
Buenos Aires	18.02	18.02
Rio de Janeiro	1.21	1.21
Silveryo (nom.)	1.4	1.4
Bar (forward)	19 1/2	19 1/2
Bar Loan	89 1/2	89 1/2

—British Wireless.

TENSION GROWS AS PRAGUE REJECTION MARS PEACE HOPES

Britain Mobilises Air Forces As Precaution Against Air Raiders

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA appears to have definitely rejected Herr Hitler's Memorandum. The rejection was conveyed to Berlin in time to be in Herr Hitler's hands before he made his historic speech in the Sports Stadium.

The speech, reported in full elsewhere on this page, was unyielding and Hitler gave no assurance that he would not march into Czechoslovakia on October 1.

The House of Commons has been summoned for to-morrow. At the request of Mr. Chamberlain, His Majesty the King has cancelled his Scotland itinerary and will remain in London.

French C. in C. In London

London, Sept. 26. General Gamelin, the French Chief of Staff, is expected to arrive in London following to-day's Cabinet meeting. He will leave for Paris this evening.—Reuter.

Council of Ministers Meets in Paris

Paris, Sept. 26. Under the presidency of M. Lelieur, a council of Ministers will be held here on Tuesday morning.—Reuter.

Australia Keeps In Close Touch

Canberra, Sept. 26. For the first time since the present crisis, the Prime Minister of Australia, Mr. Joseph Lyons, had a long wireless telephone talk to-day with the Prime Minister of England.

The Ministers are remaining in closest touch and some, including Mr. T. V. Thorneycroft, Minister of Defence, are remaining in their offices all night to await cables from London.—Reuter.

King to Remain In London

London, Sept. 26. It is officially announced from Buckingham Palace that "at the request of the Prime Minister, His Majesty the King has cancelled his trip to Glasgow, which was scheduled to start to-night."

Her Majesty the Queen, accompanied by the two Princesses, will carry out the programme as arranged, both for the visit to the Exhibition and the launching of the liner Queen Elizabeth at Clydebank.

In the evening the Queen will return to Balmoral Castle for a short period.

The King held a Privy Council meeting at the Palace at 10 p.m. It was attended by Lord Halifax and Sir Kingsley Wood. The session lasted half-an-hour.

Later a preliminary report of Herr Hitler's speech was studied at a meeting between Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Halifax, Sir John Simon and Sir Samuel Hoare.—Reuter.

Prague Reply Received

Paris, Sept. 26. It is stated in informed quarters that the Czech reply to the German Memorandum was remitted in the course of Sunday night to the Foreign Office by the Czech-Slovak Minister, Dr. Masaryk.

No information is, however, vouchsafed concerning the contents of the Czech Government's Note.

Since the German Memorandum was sent to Prague without an indication of the British attitude, it is surmised that the Czech reply will be transmitted to Berlin without British Comment.

Informed quarters stress that the publication of the Anglo-French plan and of the German Memorandum in Monday morning papers was not due to any official suggestion.—Trans-Ocean.

Demands Rejected

Prague, Sept. 26. Czechoslovakia has informed Britain that Germany's demands are unacceptable. In her reply Czechoslovakia has listed the various objections, which include economic reasons, geographic and national defence reasons.

The objections were rushed to completion in order that they could be conveyed through England to Herr Hitler before he made his speech at the Sports Palace.

Meanwhile the Czechs are calm and prepared, and apparently assured that their allies are awaiting war. It is alleged here that Herr Kundt, the German leader arrested here yesterday, was operating a secret radio by which he informed Berlin of all the latest developments.

It is revealed, also, that two German journalists were arrested at the same time.—United Press.

First Plan Only Basis

Prague, Sept. 26. The Prague Radio Station announced this evening that the Anglo-French plan is for the present Government the only basis of an understanding.—Reuter.

Only One End If Germany Attacks

London, Sept. 26. The immediate result of a German attack on Czechoslovakia, despite all Mr. Chamberlain's efforts for peace, would be that France would be bound to go to the assistance of her ally, and Britain and Russia could certainly not stand by and see France endangered.

Official quarters, however, still believe it is not too late to prevent such a catastrophe. On the basis of official information from Prague, Reuter has been informed by officials that Dr. Benes has sent a personal letter to Mr. Masaryk, the Polish Foreign Minister, telling him that Czechoslovakia would be willing to terminate the Czech-Polish dispute even at the cost of a revision of the frontier on the basis of mutual agreement.—Reuter.

Act of War

London, Sept. 26. Mr. Winston Churchill declared to-day that Britain, France and Russia should send a solemn warning to Germany stating that in the present situation an invasion of Czechoslovakia by Germany would be taken by them as an act of war.—Reuter.

Won't Give Guarantee

Berlin, Sept. 26. The fact that the German Memorandum contains no offer of a guarantee to Czechoslovakia by Germany has been interpreted by Prague as proof of Germany's intention not to abandon her hostile attitude.

Informed quarters here declare that after a settlement of the Sudeten-German question in conformity with the demands contained in Herr Hitler's Memorandum, the German Government would have no further claims on Czechoslovakia. Regarding a guarantee by Germany, it is pointed out that such a guarantee is impossible, since it would imply an obligation to march against Hungary and Poland in the event of those countries seeking to enforce their demands for the granting of the right of self-determination to the Hungarian and Polish minorities in Czechoslovakia.—Trans-Ocean.

Report Unfounded

Budapest, Sept. 26. The report that Rumania and Yugoslavia informed the Hungarian Government that they would support Czechoslovakia on the basis of the Little Entente Treaty, is "quite unfounded," according to well-informed Hungarian quarters, says a semi-official news agency here.—Reuter.

Plea to Hitler

London, Sept. 27. Mr. Neville Chamberlain has addressed a last-minute plea to Herr Hitler, in a personal communication which was taken by Sir Horace Wilson, the Premier's personal adviser.

Sir Horace crossed the Channel by special plane and has already arrived in Germany. The announcement of Sir Horace Wilson's Mission to Berlin from No. 10, Downing Street was in the following terms:

"The Prime Minister had further consultations with the French Ministers this morning. The Prime Minister, with the full approval of the French Ministers, has decided to make a personal communication to the German Chancellor, and Sir Horace Wilson left this morning for Berlin for this purpose.—British Wireless.

The New Proposals

London, Sept. 26. It is reliably stated that Sir Horace Wilson will submit to Chancellor Hitler new proposals by the British and French Governments which were drawn up in the course of the prolonged Anglo-French ministerial deliberations on Sunday and Monday. It is believed that the new proposals are based on the original Anglo-French plan and on the German Memorandum and that every effort has been made to take into account the German demands. It is hoped that on this basis it will be possible to overcome the extremely grave crisis.

It is further stated in informed quarters that publication of the original Anglo-French plan and of the German Memorandum in the Press was attributable to the Czechoslovak Legation.

It is pointed out that with the handing in of the new Anglo-French proposals negotiations have entered a new stage. The proposals will be immediately communicated to the Prague Government.

Informed quarters here continue to regard the situation as one of the utmost gravity.—Trans-Ocean.

Message Delivered

Berlin, Sept. 26. Sir Horace Wilson left the Chancellery at 5.40 p.m. to-day, having been inside for 55 minutes, during which he conferred with Herr Hitler. It is understood that General Goerring visited Herr Hitler just before Sir Horace Wilson's departure. Sir Horace Wilson is returning to London by air on Wednesday, and will bring Herr Hitler's reply to Mr. Chamberlain's latest Note.—Reuter.

Up to Hitler

London, Sept. 26. The British Prime Minister's message to Herr Hitler, which was delivered by Sir Horace Wilson to-day, is understood here to contain a declaration that the German plan is completely unacceptable and to have made an appeal to Herr Hitler to prove that he desired a peaceful settlement by agreeing to discuss the details of the transfer directly with the Czechs.

In official quarters the view is expressed that there is still a possibility of the matter being settled peacefully by negotiations. It is also pointed out that the German claim for the transfer of the Sudeten area has already been conceded by the British, French and Czech Governments, and if the peoples of all nations insist on a settlement by free negotiation it is not too late to stop the great tragedy of a European war.—Reuter.

Britain Must Unite

Mr. C. R. Attlee, leader of the Labour Opposition to-day addressed the following letter to the Prime Minister: "The terms of Herr Hitler's Memorandum which you agreed to submit to the Czechoslovakian Government have, I believe, profoundly shocked British public opinion."

"The Czechoslovak Government could not have done other than refuse these terms, the acceptance of which would mean the sheer destruction of the Czechoslovakian State. "You will recall that on September 11 three bodies of the Labour Movement declared that the British Government must leave no doubt in the mind of the German Government that it will unite with the French and Soviet Government to resist any attack on Czechoslovakia."

"The Labour Movement urges the British Government to give this lead, confident that such a policy would have the solid support of the British people."

"Whatever the risks involved, Great Britain must make its stand against aggression. There is now no room for doubts or hesitations. "These words express the considered and emphatic judgment of the Labour Movement and indicate the only means by which, in our view, peace may still be preserved. "I earnestly trust that His Majesty's Government will now decide to adopt and vigorously to pursue a policy in conformity with this declaration.—British Wireless.

Anglo-French Accord

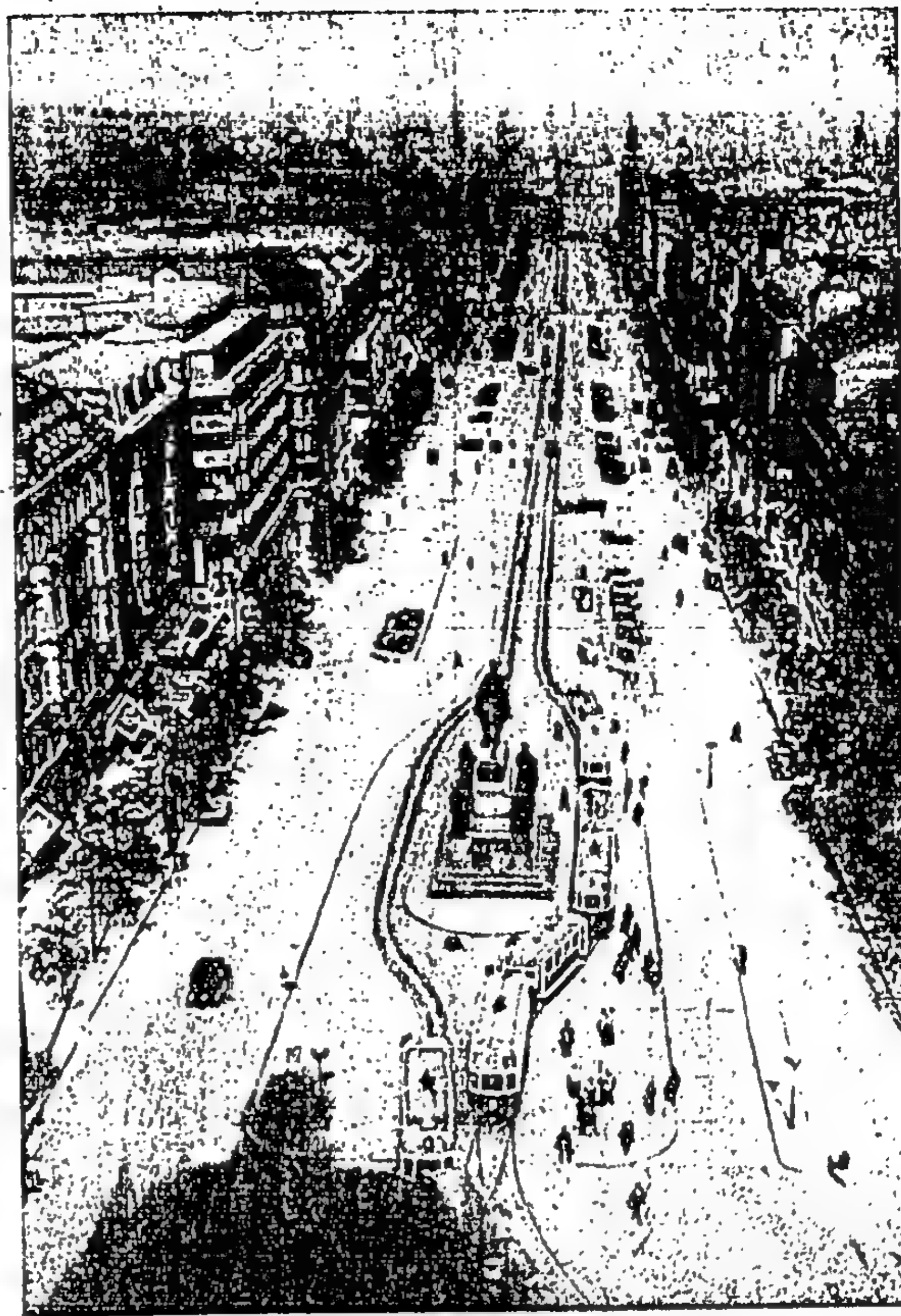
Paris, Sept. 26. Political circles here attach particular importance to the passage in the official communiqué issued in London after the Anglo-French conversations on Monday, stressing the full agreement between the two countries.

The opinion prevails here that the presence of General Gamelin, the French Commander-in-Chief, in London is proof that France and England reckon with the worst eventualities and are prepared to meet them. This preparedness is considered to be the best means of pressure which the two Powers can bring to bear in the negotiations for a settlement of the Czechoslovak problem.

The view is taken that the greater the emphasis placed on France's British solidarity the greater the chances of preventing an outbreak of war, since it is likely that Germany would hesitate to resort to extreme measures under these circumstances.—Trans-Ocean.

War Risk Rates Increases

London, Sept. 26. The latest list of minimum war



IN THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN CAPITAL. A view looking down on the Wenceslaus Square, Prague.

PRESS CONDEMNS HITLER

"Daily Mail Swings Against Germany"

LONDON, Sept. 27. The full text of the German memorandum was given to the press here by the Czechoslovak Legation and is commented upon by the papers this morning. It is noticeable to-day that the sole responsibility for peace or war is almost unanimously laid at Germany's door.

Although all papers express the hope that some means may be found of solving the Czech problem peacefully, the extreme gravity of the situation is everywhere admitted.

The Daily Mail, which hitherto has been pronouncedly in favour of Germany, vehemently criticises Chancellor Hitler's latest proposals. The paper writes that only a negative reply could be expected from the Prague Government to consider the German ultimatum, it is now up to Hitler to overcome the deadlock.

"The next five days will be a gruelling experience for the whole world, but everybody hopes that a catastrophe might be averted," the Daily Mail says.

The paper hopes that Hitler will now show himself conciliatory in his speech scheduled for this evening in Berlin and goes on to say that the British nation does not understand why Hitler is unable to wait the few weeks necessary for settling the details of the incorporation of the Sudeten German territories before proceeding to military measures.

The paper asks whether Germany prefers a violent to a peaceful solution and whether she intends to deny to the Czechs the right of self-determination which she demands for the Sudeten Germans.

The Daily Express says that peace is gravely imperilled by the methods of German diplomacy and the increasing demands put forward by Berlin.

Concerning the discussions between the French and English Ministers, the paper observes that neither London nor Paris will bring further pressure to bear on Prague in order

risk insurance rates issued this evening by the Institute of London Underwriters reveals very large increases in rates generally, particularly for specie between the United Kingdom and China and Japan which, on the outward run is quoted at sixty shillings per cent, and on the homeward voyage at eighty shillings per cent.

Similar rates apply to the Philippines, Straits Settlements and Indo-China.

For merchandise similar increases have been announced and at present between the United Kingdom and the Far East generally the rate is a hundred shillings per cent, in either direction.—Reuter.

Big Falls On Stock Exchange

London, Sept. 26. Business on the Stock Exchange remains slack and quotations were mainly nominal. The 3½ per cent. war Loan fell to 95. On the Foreign Exchange market Sterling was pronouncedly weak. Among foreign securities German, Czech and Austrian loans fell heavily.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL ARMY CHANGES

Lieutenant-Colonel J. T. W. Reeve, D.S.O., of the Rifle Brigade, is due to arrive in Hongkong by the P. and O. Rangoon to-morrow to take over the duties of Commander of the Hongkong Infantry Brigade, in succession to Brigadier F. W. L. Blissett, D.S.O., M.C.

On October 7, Lieut.-Col. E. S. White, D.S.O., of the R.A.S.C., leaves England for Hongkong to take up his appointment as new Assistant Director of Supplies and Transport, in succession to Col. L. G. Robinson, who is away on sick leave.

to induce the Czech Government to accept the German Memorandum.

The Prague Government, according to the Daily Express, had already given it to be understood in London and Paris that should such pressure be extended to the Czech Government, it would withdraw its assent to the Anglo-French plan given by the Hodza Cabinet.—Trans-Ocean.

Objects to U.S. Newspapers

Berlin, Sept. 26. The semi-official Deutsche Diplomatische Korrespondenz, published this morning shortly before President Roosevelt's telegram to Chancellor Hitler reached Berlin—a strident protest against the attitude of a large section of the American public and Press, which, during the last few days, has not only attacked German policy but has not hesitated to attack Herr Hitler.

The Korrespondenz complains that an important section of the American Press in its treatment of European problems in general and of the Czech problem in particular has published tendentious reports accompanied by spiteful comments with the object of influencing the public opinion.—Trans-Ocean.

Sun Fo On Crisis

Chungking, Sept. 27. War or peace in Europe now hinges on the attitude of Germany, says Dr. Sun Fo, President of the Legislative Yuan, in discussing the European situation with a party of newspapermen at his residence here yesterday.

Co-operation between Britain, France, Soviet Russia and Czechoslovakia in the present crisis is without question, Dr. Sun said. Germany and Italy are in fact divergent in their interests, although Italy professes aid to Germany in the event of war.

Dr. Sun predicts that Poland will not stand neutral. Although she is at present on the side of Germany, her final attitude will have to be proved by coming events.

As to Soviet Russia, he said, she has always been for peace, but she is ready to reply to aggression with force.—Central News.

Responsibility Of War

Responsibility for the rupture of peace in Europe will have to be borne by Herr Hitler, declares the Ta Kung Pao, influential Chinese paper in Hongkong, in an editorial to-day.

The Journal points out that despite Czechoslovakia's willingness to cede the Sudeten territories to Germany and the strenuous efforts on the part of Great Britain and France to preserve peace, Herr Hitler presented to Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the British Premier, in their second meeting an entirely new and unacceptable set of demands for transmission to Prague. The present crisis might be saved if the Fuehrer reconsidered his policy of aggression, the paper concludes.—Central News.

President Roosevelt Support For Allies

London, Sept. 26.

President Roosevelt's appeal to Chancellor Hitler and President Benes is prominently featured by afternoon papers in London and attracts the liveliest interest in political circles, which see in it proof that President Roosevelt is working behind the scenes for a peaceful solution of the Czechoslovak problem.

It is stressed in political circles that the President's appeal considerably strengthens the position of England, France and Czechoslovakia in the coming negotiations as those countries will henceforth be able to rely at least on the moral support of the United States.—Trans-Ocean.

President Roosevelt's Appeal

London, Sept. 26. The British Government hails with gratitude the weighty message which President Roosevelt yesterday addressed to the British and certain other Governments, states a reply to the United States President from Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

"This is a critical time," the message states, "and it is indeed essential to remember what is at stake and to weigh the issues with all gravity before embarking on a course from which there may be no retreat. "His Majesty's Government is doing its very utmost to secure a peaceful solution and even to-day it is making a further earnest appeal for a peaceful settlement by negotiations in which it would be ready to lend its good offices."

"His Majesty's Government responds to the President's appeal in all sincerity and without reserve and it most earnestly hopes that other Governments to which the appeal was addressed will do likewise."—Reuter.

U.S. Appeals to Poland And Hungary

New York, Sept. 26. Through Mr. Cordell Hull the President, Mr. Roosevelt, has appealed separately to Poland and Hungary for peace.—Reuter.

U.S. Cabinet To Meet

Washington, Sept. 26. President Roosevelt has called a special Cabinet meeting for to-morrow to consider the European situation.

Reporters are given to understand that though the meeting will consider the further possible effect the European situation may have on the United States, it will not study the possibility of America stepping into foreign troubles.—Reuter.

Reply to Roosevelt

Washington, Sept. 26. In a reply to President Roosevelt's appeal Dr. Edouard Benes, President of Czechoslovakia, states that he believes that the dispute can be settled without resort to force.—Reuter.

Too Late To Move After Men March

Washington, Sept. 26. It is learned that Treasury officials have informed President Roosevelt

that no drastic steps appear necessary to immediately safeguard the nation's financial equilibrium in the event of war. However, "adequate precautionary steps are necessary" in the event of a major conflict.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau defined the general feeling when he announced to-day that in the event of war, stock markets and banks should remain open "as usual."

It is generally felt that the Cabinet session has been called to thoroughly explore the European situation, and it is understood officially that the President's appeal was the result of a thorough analysis of the latest developments, plus the President's opinion, of the psychological moment at which to move.

The announcement significantly comments that "it is often too late to move after men march."—United Press.

Speech Welcomed

Moscow, Sept. 26. Soviet authorities welcome President Roosevelt's appeal that the Sudeten problem should be solved by reason and not by force. However, they are not unduly optimistic regarding the possibility of a peaceful solution.

In the Soviet view the only possible solution is a concerted show of force on the part of interested Powers, particularly Britain and France.—Reuter.

An Earnest Plea

London, Sept. 26. The Evening News in an editorial calls President Roosevelt's plea "earnest and deeply moving." All men of good intentions can only hope it will be effective, says the paper.—United Press.

Favours Allies

Paris, Sept. 26. It is considered here that President Roosevelt's appeal to the European Powers shows a definitely favourable attitude to the Franco-British cause and his gesture has shown America's moral support.

France is maintaining an unflinchingly firm front and announcing "passive defence measures" M. Sarraut said that provision had been completed for the evacuation of the civilian population from Paris.—United Press.

FIFTY DIE IN COLLISION

Barcelona, Sept. 26. Fifty persons were killed and nearly 200 injured in a train accident near Barcelona to-day, according to reports reaching here.

Apparently two passenger trains, one from Terragona and the other from Barcelona were involved in the accident.—Reuter Special.

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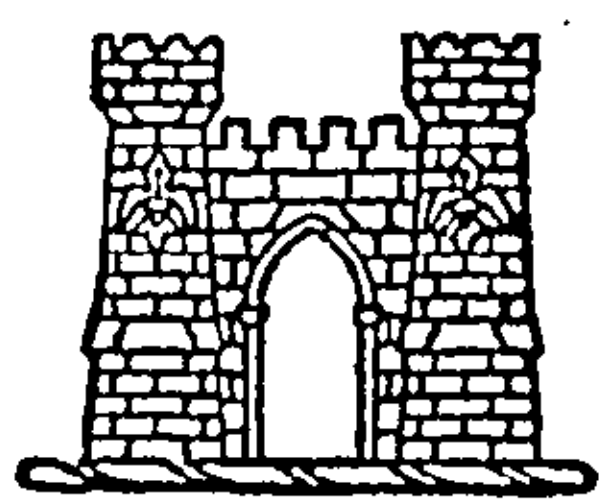
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"BLITZVERTEIDUNG"

There is every reason for believing that the prompt and efficient mobilisation of Czechoslovakia's army of two million men, and the plain statement of support from France, Soviet Russia, Rumania and Yugoslavia, must have a sobering effect in Germany. For the first time efficient precautions have been taken before German shock tactics—so successful in the Rhine area and in Austria—could be switched over from threats to definite action. In other words, a beginning of lightning defence, or *Blitzverteidung*, has been worked out and put into practice, as an answer to the long line of successes that Germany had in the past with her *Blitzangriff*, or lightning attack.

Europe at least has, as a result of the prompt precautions taken by Czechoslovakia, a breathing space of four days—ninety-six hours before Czechoslovakia need decide, in conformity with Herr Hitler's threat of direct action on October 1, whether she will fight or make one of the greatest sacrifices any nation has ever been called upon to make in the interests of peace. In those ninety-six hours much can happen. It is twice the time Austria gave Serbia in 1914 and, although the sands will run quickly, diplomats in London, Paris and Washington can be relied upon to do everything in their power to utilise the intervening hours advantageously in the cause of peace.

As we said yesterday, prognostication regarding the outcome of the crisis is futile, in view of the lightning and bewildering changes that occur hour by hour in Europe. But one fact stands out clear and unchallengeable: if war comes to Europe, one nation and one man—the man who rules that nation with an iron rule besides which the power of its pre-war All Highest fades into insignificance—will be to blame.

Czechoslovakia, acting on the advice of Great Britain and France, conceded to Germany and Herr Hitler terms which no self-respecting, independent nation ought to have been asked to concede. Czechoslovakia, conscious of the effect such terms had on its dignity as an independent State, would have been justified in rejecting the Anglo-French suggestions. More so, having agreed to those first demands, she is entitled to reject the subsequent demands which Herr Hitler released like a bombshell at Godesberg. They not only go further than anything envisaged by Great Bri-

ROBERT LYND DISCOVERS THAT Inventions Do Make Life Happier

PROFESSOR C. E. M. JOAD, I see, wishes to put a ban on new inventions or, at least, to set up a censorship of new inventions. He would like to have "a board of scientists and philosophers" who would refuse a permit for any new invention of which they thought the human race incapable of making a good use.

Everyone will agree with Professor Joad that man has shown not only an incomparable genius for inventing things, but an incomparable genius for putting them to wrong uses.

It is obviously the misuse of inventions in war of which Professor Joad is chiefly thinking—the aeroplane, for example, which should be an instrument for bringing the nations closer together, but which is now being used as a means of spreading death and destruction.

I do not think, however, that the misuse of inventions began with the aeroplane and the chemistry of modern warfare. It must have begun very shortly after the expulsion from Eden, for man, being from the first a curious mixture of good and evil, was bound to make a pretty deplorable use of his gifts with the evil part of his nature.

In themselves, inventions are, for the most part, neither good nor bad. It is human nature in its use of them which is good or bad.

Take such an apparently innocent invention as the pen, for example. In the hands of a saint it may bring light into the world. In the hands of the poet and the lover, how immeasurably it has increased human happiness! Put it in the hand of a forger, however, and it becomes an instrument of crime. It lends itself equally to the anonymous letter-writer and to the composer of sermons. It can be used for writing the most illiterate balderdash as well as the divinest poetry.

If Professor Joad's theory is sound that inventions ought to be prohibited until human beings are sure to make a right use of them, then pens, paper and ink ought to have been prohibited long ago. If this had been done the world would undoubtedly have been spared a great amount of crime, of false and poisonous teaching, and of rubbish. But would it, on the whole, have been happier? I doubt it.

From the point of view of a pessimist there is much to be said for the suppression of the printing-press. What power it gives to a dictator as a means

of truth-distorting propaganda! Invented as an instrument for liberating the mind, it is now used again and again as a means of enslaving the mind. Human nature undoubtedly has shown that it cannot be trusted to make a good use of the printing-press.

Insistence by Herr Hitler on acceptance of his latest demands can leave the world with only one conclusion—that he is deliberately provoking war, and is determined that the Czechs shall have no loop-hole for peace. It will be a terrible thing for humanity if this belief is correct for, in the event of war, Germany must surely find that it will be impossible for Democracy to remain indifferent at such a callous and premeditated use of the Mailed Fist.

With all their hearts, British people hope that, whatever adjustment is made to Herr Hitler's demands, Czechoslovakia will be able to accept them with honour and dignity, as befits the best governed and conducted State created and emancipated by the Great War.

Czechoslovakia cannot accept peace on any other terms.

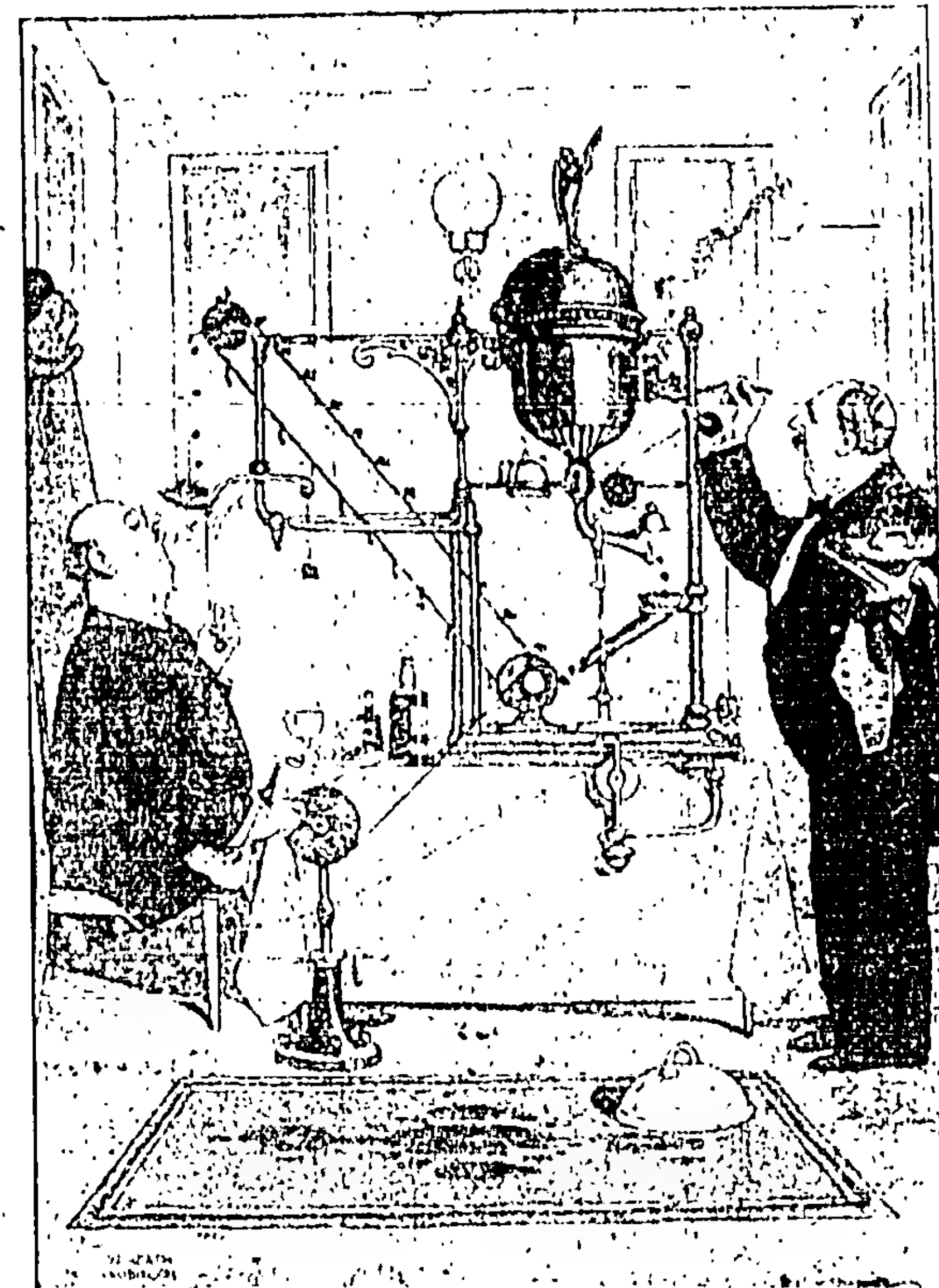
Professor Joad himself instances wireless as a miraculous instrument which is being shamefully misused by the human race. "The ultimate ether," he declares bitterly, "vibrates to the sound of negroid music, and wireless waves transmit such announcements as 'Ladies and gentlemen, Syd Ambrose will now sing 'Tripe and Onions.'"

Certainly, if wireless is to be judged by the worst of which it is capable, we must conclude that it is a pity that it was ever invented. In this respect it is just like literature, music, and the art of drawing. Man in his imperfection has put all three to trivial and base uses. It is only fair, however, to remember that he has also put them all to glorious uses.

Wireless may give us "Tripe and Onions," but it also gives us Beethoven's symphonies. With its news and its talks it brings the remotest dweller in the country into touch with current affairs and intelligent opinion on them. And as a matter of fact, I have no complaint to make about "Tripe and Onions." Crooning I detest, but a little triviality now and then is by no means bad for the soul.

I KNOW a man who maintains that no modern invention has made human beings happier. He sincerely regrets the invention, not only of the aeroplane and wireless, but of the motorcar, the cinema and even the telephone.

I cannot agree with him. It seems to me to be incontestably true that the inventions of science have enormously increased the diffusion of human enjoyment. Bad as the world is to-day, I cannot help believing that a greater proportion of human beings are enjoying life



An invaluable apparatus for conveying peas to the mouth (as Heath Robinson sees it)

than was the case in the days of the Thirty Years' War and the Spanish Inquisition.

Professor Joad's object in stating his case as extremely as possible was obviously to draw attention to the fact that what the world needs most at present is no more scientific inventions, but such moral improvement as would enable it to put its scientific inventions to a good use.

Unfortunately, whereas progress is the normal thing in the world of science, it is by no means certain in the world of morals and ideas. A world in which great scientific advances took place and at the same time morality, philosophy and literature decayed is perfectly conceivable. Who can say for certain whether the moral ideas that are general in 1938 are better or worse than those which were current in the middle of last century? To decide the matter one way or the other is an act not of reason but of faith.

I am afraid that, even if all modern inventions were abolished, the great truth is, man's great problem remains to-day much the same as it was 1,000 or 2,000 years ago. It is chiefly a problem of getting rid of egotism. An egotist with an aeroplane may be dangerous on a larger scale than an egotist with a stone axe. But I doubt whether the world, unless it were morally better, would be either happier or more humane if it scrapped all its aeroplanes and took to the stone axe again. As Professor Joad clearly sees, it is not science that has gone wrong, it is we who have gone wrong in the use we make of it.

PALESTINE MEMORIES

HOW they crowd on one, even after the lapse of twenty years, the memories of that lovely land! The fierce scrambling and fighting amongst the bleak Judean hills, the frightful rainstorms which swelled rivers until they swept off men and camels and floated away wagons, with their mules drowned, into the inky blackness of the stormy night.

It was on such a night that the Lowland Territorial Division performed the amazing feat of crossing the swollen Aujah River in hastily constructed rafts and attacked the Turkish positions at dawn, sending them reeling back another twenty miles and covering all the intervening country with abandoned arms and stores of all kinds.

Jaffa, Tel Aviv, Sarcena, Sheikh Munnis, El Jellib—each in their setting of palms, poplars, and orange groves, and within a stone's throw of the ultramarine Mediterranean—all were held by us until our withdrawal to France in April 1918.

The countryside around—all on the edge of the Plain of Sharon—was smothered in such a wonderfully prolific and beautifully varied wild-flower growth as almost to defy description. Never while life lasts shall I forget the loveliness of Sharon's wild flowers.

Bedouin Squalor

The people, poor and mean and lowly for the most part, living in hovels and on the husks of foodstuffs and seemingly devoid of any Arabic descent, wearing the same simple garments they wore two thousand years ago, ploughing with a camel and a horse, a bullock and an ass, or even a cow and a man yoked together to pull the old wooden plough across the furrows of the stony ground.

The Bedouin families, living in frightful squalor for tents, but on their own allotted territory, were an eye-opener to us. Fowls, goats, dogs, donkeys, and even camels wandered in and out of the tents, where men, women, and children lived and slept together.

For sanitary reasons we had to compulsorily remove these families to a new ground every fortnight, and at first their despairing wails, excited jabbering in Arabic, and covering their heads with dust, made us almost feel we were doing them an injury. Very soon, however, their headmen understood, and the fortnightly removal was performed like children going to a picnic.

It was pathetic to see their humble waiting on the scraps from every meal. With his love for children and kindness towards the unfortunate, the British soldier has been

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"This is no time for stage fright, Clancy! You just go out and say: 'Everybody, out—the theatre's on fire.'"

CHINESE SCORE IMPORTANT VICTORY

Japanese Repulsed On Both Banks of Yangtse

Successes Also Reported From Northern Areas

HANKOW, Sept. 27.

Military advices received here reveal that important gains have been scored by Chinese troops on both banks of the Yangtze in simultaneous counter-attacks.

A Japanese detachment of 2,000 men advancing on the Juichang-Wuning highway was surrounded and practically wiped out by the Chinese in the vales between the hills of Peitz and Masaishan early yesterday morning.

Over 1,700 Japanese soldiers were slain and seventeen were captured alive. Four field guns, 26 heavy and light machine-guns, 390 rifles and 70 important documents and maps were seized by the Chinese.

The Japanese right and left wings at Chenchishan and Chow-chishan which attempted to rescue their doomed comrades were intercepted and repulsed by the Chinese.

Chinese casualties are reported to be 320 killed and wounded. In the Tienchiachen sector the Japanese smashed the Chinese offensive and recaptured Ssuwangshan, Tienchiachen on Sunday.

Continuing their advance, they regained Hwangtupo and Maanshan. The Japanese retreated in a south-eastward direction, leaving some 300 dead and wounded on the battlefield. Their rear is said to be menaced by other Chinese units.

Japanese troop concentrations around Kwanhsi in east Hupeh were bombed by Chinese planes. Heavy casualties are believed to have been inflicted.

Whilst admitting the loss of Fuchikow on the south bank of the Yangtze River opposite Tienchiachen, military messages state that the Chinese position at Yangsin has improved after a fierce counter-offensive, but fierce fighting is still raging in the suburban districts.

The fall of Fuchikow is attributed to the sudden attack of an overwhelming number of Japanese under heavy bombardment. However, Chinese reinforcements have been rushed up and a counter-offensive on the town is developing.

Meanwhile, the Chinese are exerting great pressure on the Japanese in the Loshan sector. The remnants Japanese remaining in the city are expected to be "mopped up" soon. Hsiao Loshan, Fanwan and Sanichiao to the east of the city, where bitter fighting has been going on for the last few days have been recaptured by the Chinese.

The Japanese column of 2,000 men driving from Shuangcheng in south-east Honan southward to threaten Machong in north-east Hupeh suffered a setback at Tuenchien on Sunday. Striking back, the Chinese slew many of them. Growing desperate, they allegedly used poison gas shells.—Central News.

Beaten Back

Tehran, Sept. 27.

Fresh Japanese attacks on Chinglungfeng (Gold Wheel Summit), a height about two and half miles north-east of Yankow, strategic pass on the Singat-Tehran highway, are reported to have been repulsed by the Chinese.

Under a heavy artillery between 800 and 900 Japanese troops launched an attack on Hsiaooshan and Chinglungfeng in the same sector on Sunday but were beaten back by the Chinese.

Many Japanese were slain in action and several were captured by the Chinese.—Central News.

Retake Honan, Shantung Towns

Chengchow, Sept. 27.

Chinese forces have recaptured Kweihsien, 75 miles east of Kailong on the Lungai Railway, in a smashing attack on Sunday, a military report received here to-day states.

The Japanese there were completely routed, fleeing in great confusion towards the east and leaving many dead behind.

During the past few days, Chinese units have launched repeated attacks on Poshien and Luyi, south and southwest of Kweihsien respectively. The recapture of both cities, it is stated, is believed to be imminent.

Meanwhile, another report to hand reveals the Chinese recapture of Pingyuan, southeast of Tehchow on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, and Tachow, on the north bank of the Yellow River opposite Tsinan in Shantung, on Sept. 22.

The Chinese attackers succeeded in breaking into Pingyuan by the west gate and drove the Japanese out. The war booty included 14 machine-guns and a large quantity of ammunition.—Central News.

Siaoloshan Retaken

Hankow, Sept. 27.

Chinese forces to-day captured Siaoloshan, five miles east of Loshan where the two armies are now facing each other, according to a Chinese military communiqué.

In heavy rain the Japanese forces at Yuanchu, on the north bank of the Yellow River, on Sunday, launched an

Drought Continues As Dry Spell Approaches

HONGKONG'S chances of any substantial rainfall before the official dry season sets in are fast fading.

Another 24 hours have passed without any rain being registered, and the aggregate rainfall for the year is now 47.04 inches, as compared with an average of 76.65 inches.

The local forecast is—North-east winds, fresh; fair this morning. The thermometer shot back into the 80's this morning, being 83 degrees as compared with 75 at the same time yesterday. Yesterday's maximum temperature was 83, and the minimum 76. There has been an appreciable fall in the humidity readings during the last three days, and this morning humidity was only 58 per cent.

The Royal Observatory weather report issued this morning stated that a ridge of high pressure covers north China, Manchuria and Japan. Depressions are situated to the south of Taiwan, in Indo-China, moving north-west, and to the east of the Baintang Channel, probably moving northward.

BRITAIN CALLS UP AIR RESERVES AS RAID PRECAUTION

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home defence, the Government has taken certain air defence measures, including the recall of R.A.F. personnel on leave, calling up observer corps attached to the R.A.F. and instituting an air raid alarm system.

It is stated that these measures are purely precautionary and do not include general mobilisation.

The War Office has issued orders calling out officers and men of the anti-aircraft units and the coast defence units of the Territorial Army. The orders relate to men who joined under the Territorial Reserve Forces Act of 1907. It is emphasised that the calling up of these men is also purely precautionary and quite distinct from general mobilisation, which includes the embodiment of the Territorial Army.—Reuter.

Balloon Barrage Prepared

London, Sept. 26.

The Air Ministry has been instructed to call up all personnel of the defence units of the Auxiliary Air Force, comprising fighter and balloon barrage squadrons.

Bomber units will not be called up at present.—Reuter.

Trenches in London Parks

London, Sept. 26.

Trenches are being dug in London parks to provide shelters in the event of possible air raids, and in an effort to expedite the work an appeal is being made for all men who are fit and available to assist in the work.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, leader of the London County Council, has issued an appeal to the people of London to come forward in thousands to assist in Air Raid Precaution measures.

The Provision Exchange has announced that in reply to a request they have fixed the price of bacon, ham, butter, cheese, hard cooking fats and margarine at the present level for 14 days.—Reuter.

Semi-Mobilisation in Belgium

Brussels, Sept. 26.

The Cabinet met to-day and decided to recall from leave men of the Ardennes Chasseurs Corps, corps of the mechanised cavalry and certain classes of fortress troops.—Reuter.

Eire Volunteers Called Up

London, Sept. 26.

Members of the Volunteer Force in various districts of County Mayo, Eire, have been called to the Colours. Army Officers visited the districts were called away from their work.

The regular Army Reserves have also been called to the Colours.—Reuter.

Prague Tests Defences

Prague, Sept. 26.

The strictest military censorship has been imposed here and many foreign correspondents have already left the capital for Hungary and Poland.

In Prague hundreds of reservists are pouring into the city daily and gas masks have been distributed to the inhabitants, while trenches are being dug as air raid shelters. Black-out tests of the air defences are made every night.

The people of the city are in a grim and resolute mood and both civilians and militarymen seem unwilling to make further concessions to Germany.

All women between the ages of 17 and 60 are liable for compulsory labour services.—Reuter.

Boat topping (underwater parts), divided by a white water-line ribbon. After the ship has left the slipway while upper decks and the red funnels with their black tops and three black bands will be added to complete the dress of this new queen of the seas.

PRAGUE'S MEDICAL GIFTS TO CHINA

Finds Time To Aid Sister Republic

Hankow, Sept. 27.

Notwithstanding the threatening war clouds hovering over their own horizon, a group of Czechoslovak friends of China in Prague have formed a society called "The Aid of the Civilian Victims of the War in the Far East," and the first thing they did was to send a shipment of much-needed medical supplies to China.

Contributed by the Czechoslovak people and presented to the Chinese Red Cross Society through the Prague organisation, the articles of medical aid comprise, chloroform, serums, vaccines, chemicals and other pharmaceutical products. They are valued at 50,000 Czechoslovak crowns.

In a letter to the Hongkong office of the Chinese Red Cross, the Prague society said in part: "We feel sure that even our delayed and moderate shipment will help you in your wonderful work and we trust that the two or three shipments which we gradually will send to your hands will prove to you and to the Chinese nation that even such a small country as Czechoslovakia sympathises with the Chinese Republic and does the best which is possible in her own difficult situation."

The society endeavours to collect funds and purchase in Czechoslovakia such equipment of the hospital-units which the Chinese Red Cross Society desires and which are manufactured in Czechoslovakia. Among the members of the hospitalisation are Dr. Lone Liang, Chinese Minister to Prague and Mrs. Liang, Mr. Ing. O. Busch, Honorary Consul of the Chinese Republic in Prague, is a member of the Executive Committee.

BRITAIN'S LAST EFFORT

London, Sept. 27.

"I cannot abandon my efforts, and since it seems to me incredible that the people of Europe who do not want war with one another should be plunged into a bloody struggle over a question on which agreement has been largely reached," declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain to-day commenting on Herr Hitler's speech and expressing his appreciation of the references the Fuehrer had made to his (Chamberlain's) efforts to save peace.

"It is evident that the Chancellor has no faith in the carrying out of promises which are made," said Mr. Chamberlain.

"These promises were made not to the German Government direct but to the British and French Governments in the first instance."

"Speaking for the British Government we regard ourselves as morally responsible for seeing that the promises are carried out fairly and fully, and we are prepared to undertake that they shall be carried out with all reasonable promptitude, provided that the German Government will agree to a settlement of the terms and conditions of the transfer by discussion and not by force."

"I trust that the German Chancellor will not reject this proposal, which is made in the same spirit of friendliness as that with which I was received in Germany, and which, if it is accepted, will satisfy the German desire for a union of the Sudeten Germans with the Reich without shedding blood in any part of Europe."—Reuter.

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7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.02 B. B. C. Recording—Seven Days Sunshine.

A Musical Cruise with book and lyrics by Henrik Egg. Music by Norman Hackett; Cast: Floyd Penrhyn; Sydney Keith; Claude Hulbert and Enid Trever; Doris Gilmore; Renee Mayer; Davy Burnaby; Gordon Little; Wynne Aello; Teddy Williams; Gilbert Bailey; The Carlyle Cousins; The B. B. C. Theatre Orchestra cond. by Stanford Robinson.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Richard Strauss—Don Juan (Tone Poem), Op. 20.

Played by the London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Fritz Busch.

8.20 A Song Sung By Elizabeth Schumann (Soprano).

Stundchen, Op. 17, No. 2 (Strauss).

8.25 Studio—Piano Recital by Professor Harry Ore.

1. Variations in C Major (Mozart); 2. Menuet in E Flat (Chopin, Op. 4); 3. Prelude in E Minor (Mendelssohn); 4. Legend, Op. 12 (Mendelssohn); 5. Le Vallee des Cloches (Ravel); 6. Chant des Ondes, Op. 41 (Debussy).

8.55 Don Cossack Choir conducted by Serge Jaroff.

Two Russian Folk Songs (arr. Jaroff); (a) Old Pachon; (b) The Three Sons; We Sing To You (Prayer) (A. Kustalsky).

9.00 London Relay—Green Fields and Pavements.

A talk by Henry Williamson.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.45 London Relay—The Launching of the Queen Elizabeth.

In the presence of their Majesties the King and Queen. An address of welcome by Sir Percy Bates, Chairman of the Cunard White Star Line, and presentation to her Majesty the Queen of a souvenir casket by Lord Abernethy. A commentary on the proceedings by George Blake from John Brown & Co.'s shipyard, Clydebank.

10.20 Compositions of Edward German.

Coronation March and Hymn... Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Major George Miller; Merrie England—Vocal Gens... Miriam Licette, Clara Serena, Francis Russell, Dennis Noble, Robert Carr, and Chorus with Orchestra; Merrie England—Dancers; (a) Rustic Dance; (b) Jig; (c) Hornpipe; (d) Minuet... Orchestra Raymond cond. by G. Walter; A Princess of Kensington—Selection... The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards cond. by George Miller.

10.47 Band Music.

Tidworth. Tidworth: Tidworth March; Coburg March; Massey Band of the Southern Command; Hyde Park Suite (Jalowicz); (a) Sunday Morning Church Parade; (b) Rotten Row; (c) On the Serpentine; (d) Around the Bandstand... Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards cond. by Major George Miller.

11.00 Close Down.

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"R. ABBIT" CHOOSES HIS INTERPORT CRICKET SIDE

LOCAL PLAYERS SADLY LACKING IN PRACTICE

SEVERAL FIRST CHOICES UNABLE TO MAKE TRIP

There was a strong breeze blowing on Sunday and a bright light. The place had to be altered, partly because of Man's accident, and the game did not start until 11.45, when Kibbee and Colledge went in. Bowker's side included most of the probable and possible bats except Anderson and Teddy Fincher, while the bowlers were mostly in Owen Hughes' side. Robert Lee started the bowling, and opened with a maiden to Kibbee. A. P. Pereira bowled at the pavilion end and was on the short side. One shocking long hop was pulled past mid-on for four by Colledge. Kibbee did not seem to see them at all to begin with. In Pereira's second over Colledge played an atrocious shot at a short rising ball on the off which was going away from him and patted it gently into second slip's hands, 6-1-5. In Lee's next over a ball that turned appreciably from the off got Kibbee lbw. It was possibly under the new rule but anyway the batsman played at the ball and missed it. 6-2-0. Whitmarsh joined Bidwell and seemed to see them, but after pulling a full toss for a couple he cut a shortish one and failed to get over it and was easily taken at third slip, 8-3-2.

A. H. Madar came next and after a long over he only just escaped being caught at second slip, a hard cut just clearing the fieldman's left hand. Pereira was pitching half way down the pitch but seemed to get a bit of turn from leg. He would have been heavily punished by good batting. In his next over Madar got him to long leg for four, but should only have been a two, as it should have been a flick scoop off his leg stump. He put a full toss from Lee to long leg for three and then Bidwell edged one to second slip very low but Pereira dropped a difficult catch.

BRILLIANT CATCH

Pereira sent down a better length ball next over and it took Bidwell's off stick after pitching on the leg and middle, 22-4-1. Souza relieved Lee and Madar cut his first ball, the longest of long hops, very low and hard, to backward point where McLellan brought off a brilliant catch rolling over as he took the ball about ankle high, 22-5-11. Madar had better than any one else. Billmorris relieved Pereira and Kibbell off-drove him for four. A bit of a stand was then made, but with 30 on the board Nazarin played too soon at the left-hander and hit the ball straight into mid-on's hands, 30-0-0. Souza was bowling short of a length and turning them, and though he did not look dangerous he was making it hard for the batsmen to score. After an hour's play the score was 37. It certainly was the beginning of the season.

Lloyd went on and appeared to be uncommonly stiff as three long hops must have been wickets to a shorter batsman than Weedon. In his second over Weedon lashed out at another wide long hop and was caught at first slip, 37-7-1. This was the fourth wicket out of seven to fall to a long hop. Kibbell had not scored for quite a long time and the last ten minutes had produced

one run. Ride off-drove Lloyd nicely, though only a single came. Lunch was a pleasant change from watching Kibbell's masterly inactivity.

AFTER Tiffin

The game was resumed after tiffin. Ride batting to Billmorris who appeared a bit stiff at first, and Ride got him to long leg for four. Lee bowled at the other end. Kibbell had a three to long leg from Lee and a couple to the same place from Billmorris. Ride was batting much better than he had done on Saturday and played his shots crisply. He took a four through the slips from Lee and some quick singles. He seemed to have settled down when Billmorris got a good length ball past his defence to take his middle stump, 62-1-7. Kibbell continued to be desperately slow, apparently making no effort to score. At 2.45 Minu went on for Lee at the bowling Green end and bowled a maiden to Kibbell. Lloyd bowled for Billmorris at the other end, and after a single Kibbell carried a full toss to square leg for four. Godby jumped out to Minu and straight drove him to the boundary. He shaped confidently and hooked Lloyd for four. The latter seemed hopelessly stiff. Godby was nearly run out but celebrated his escape by a lovely four past extra cover off Minu. A five—overthrow—to Godby sent up the hundred after about two hours play. Just after this he on-drove Lloyd and was a shade early, giving McLellan at mid-on a very hot catch, 102-0-17.

BIG HITTING

Beck off-drove Lloyd for four but it should have been caught. The next ball pitched on the bank in front of the pavilion—the next went all along the carpet in the same line, a single went to the same place, and after a quiet single to Kibbell, Beck put the last ball over the screen. He took 17 off the over. Pereira relieved Minu, and McLellan Lloyd, but Beck hit the latter for a tremendous four to long on. At 137 Beck was caught at mid-on trying to hook McLellan. He had played a very bright knock of 27, quite well made, and had really brightened up the game. Finally Bowker was caught in McLellan's leg trap and the innings closed for 144. Kibbell played a very patient defensive innings of 32 and carried his bat.

OWEN HUGHES' SIDE IN

At 3.50 Anderson and Mackay opened to Beck and the former took a two to extra and a four to third man in the first over. Madar bowled at the other end, Beck was unable to find a steady length and came in for heavy punishment when he bowled short on the off, both batsmen square cutting very well and getting over the ball. At 30 Anderson was badly dropped off Madar by Kibbell at first slip.

Beck had four slips, a fine third man and a square one, but this merely led Mackay to drive him past extra cover for four. With 40 up Mackay on-drove Madar for four but was clean bowled next ball trying to repeat the stroke. He had

Shield Champions Beat F.A. Cup Winners

London, Sept. 26.
The annual F.A. charity match between the Shield Champions and the Cup Winners was played to-day when Arsenal, the League champions, beat Preston N.E., the Cup winners, by two goals to one. —Reuter.

made 23. Godby relieved Beck but both Anderson and Pearce seemed quite happy. The score had reached 60 when tea was taken at 4.30.

After tea, Anderson retired and Souza filled his place. Kibbell bowled from the Pavilion end and beat Alce Pearce with his third ball, sending down a maiden. Bowker bowled at the other end. Souza selected his first ball between first and second slip. As so often happens here, they were too wide apart. Pearce was playing beautifully until in having a go he hit over one from Bowker and was bowled, 83-3-20. The cricket then became as dull as it had been for most of the former innings.

SLOWS!

Then Whitmarsh was put on and his first ball was the most innocent looking donkey-drop imaginable. However, Souza elected to try to cut a ball that was nearly a half volley and as the ball turned a shade from leg he was caught at the wicket, 87-4-13. Lee came in next and hit out stoutly but O'Brien seemed badly out of practice. Nazarin succeeded in bowler but nothing happened. Whitmarsh as far as I could see dropped a hot c and b. from Lee but I may be in error over this. At length however, Lee, after clouting Nazarin to long on for a four, skied one between extra and mid-off deep and Bowker judged the catch very well, 127-5-30.

Beck then had a turn at the Bowling Green end. Lloyd was out almost at once, stumped off Whitmarsh, 133-6-5. Then, before another run had been scored O'Brien tried to hook Beck and was caught by wide mid-on—Ride did well to get to the catch. Owen Hughes cut a rising ball later in the over, and though third slip failed to hold the ball he knocked it up and second slip secured it before it fell, 130-8-4. McLellan snicked Whitmarsh to long leg, it was a big loss and he nearly missed it altogether, and four runs came from byes when Colledge seemed to be unlighted by the batsman. The ball was outside the leg peg. When McLellan and Minu had added twenty more, stumps were drawn. The wicket had played excellently throughout.

REFLECTIONS

All the earlier batsmen on Bowker's side seemed to be suffering from lack of practice except perhaps Kibbell and Madar. Lee and Pereira bowled fairly, though the latter was far too much on the short side, but it was mostly bad batting that caused the wickets to fall. Souza did not look impressive. He took his wicket with a long hop and then ran into Kibbell who for long periods made absolutely no attempt to score even singles. Billmorris was steady. He had a long spell, possibly too long for him—and only had 33 runs taken off 14 overs. Lloyd was obviously far too stiff to bowl properly. Kibbell's innings was useful in so far that besides keeping an eye on going he wore down the bowling and helped the latter batsmen. Ride was much better than before and Beck's hitting was by no means blind slopping. But I liked Godby's knock best of the lot. He has a free style and his off-drive is a beautiful shot. He can also bowl pretty fast but he is expensive if he loses direction as I think he is apt to do until the Gunners, two or three years ago considered him a more useful all-rounder than Clive Garthwaite. I can hardly subscribe to that opinion as yet.

Unfortunately most of the best batting for Owen Hughes' side was done by people who cannot go, though Mackay and Robert Lee were bright exceptions. Neither Beck nor Bowker bowled very well. Madar is very steady, though I should prefer to see him as a change rather than a stock bowler. Godby, possibly owing to stiffness, did nothing with the ball, but Whitmarsh, who has more command of length and spin than many bowlers, was mixing leg and top spinners well.

SUGGESTED TEAM

It was with great regret that I learned that neither D. J. N. Anderson nor E. C. Fincher can go. Apart from others, we now have practically our first six choices. Owen Hughes, Pearce, Minu, Anderson, E. C. Fincher and Man, unable to play.

As it is I should be inclined to choose the following team, set down in the batting order:

W. H. Colledge, N. A. E. Mackay, Captain Whitmarsh R.M., A. H. Madar, A. R. Kibbell, K. Nazarin, C. E. Godby, R. A. Lee, A. C. Beck, A. C. I. Bowker and P. J. Billmorris. There is admittedly not a brilliant bowler, (except perhaps Lee) in the side, but there is an awful lot of bowling! Beside the two wicket-keepers, every man on the side can



THREE-TIME CHAMPION.—Lightweight boxing title was annexed by Henry Armstrong, California, negro fighter, when he hammered his way to a decision over Lou Ambers, of Herkimer, N.Y., former champion, in 15 rounds at Madison Square Garden. Victory made Armstrong, left, first in the world to hold featherweight, welterweight and lightweight titles at once. Recently he relinquished the featherweight crown because of the "lack of challengers."

BOWLS FINAL TO BE DECIDED THIS AFTERNOON

B. W. Bradbury v. J. A. Luz

On the Kowloon B.G.C. green this afternoon, J. A. da Luz, of the Club de Recreo, and B. W. Bradbury, of the Craigengower C.C., will contest the final of the Lawn Bowls singles championship.

The game is scheduled to start at 4.30 p.m. Mr. A. Hyde-Lay, President of the Association, will umpire. —While this is not the first time that Bradbury has reached this stage of the competition, it will be Luz's first experience of playing in the final of the singles, although with his brother R. F. da Luz, he took part in the final of the Pairs Championship in 1937.

Both Luz and Bradbury are playing very well at the moment, especially the former, who has been recognised as one of the steepest drawing men in the Colony by being selected to play No. 1 in the forthcoming Interport against Shanghai. However, he is not as versatile as his opponent, who is capable of pulling almost any shot out of the bag.

Bradbury's display against A. R. Dallah in the semi-finals last week showed that his recent indisposition has not impaired his skill to any extent, and in view of his greater experience, he will probably start favourite. But though he is very young, Luz is a cool player and whether he will succeed in beating his opponent or not, he may be relied upon to put up a good fight. A very interesting match should be seen, with little in it at the end.

bowl a bit. But there is rather a weakness in batting. Possibly Leckie for Beck would be a safer pick. Unfortunately I have not seen Leckie bat for a long time, while Beck can demolish almost any bowler if he stays more than five minutes. Then again we have Kibbee and Weedon. On current form I don't see who to drop for them and so stick to my own team. I shall not be surprised however, if Kibbee is picked by the people who really do the choosing. Bidwell looks as if he might be good after a couple of months' steady practice.

A PLEASANT DAY

It would be ungrateful to close this article without a word of thanks to the K.C.C. for the loan of their ground and the hospitality of their pavilion. They are always coming to the help of the cricketers in these Sunday games, when, under an old ruling, the Club ground is not available. In my opinion it is high time that the ruling should be rescinded. They are rather in a fix about a ground for next Sunday. Personally I should like to see an appeal made to Government.

RUGBY FOOTBALL COMMENCES

A Good Season In Prospect

The Rugby Football Season will commence to-morrow, when the Hongkong Football Club will hold its first trial game on the Club ground at Happy Valley commencing at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Further trial games will be held on Wednesday, 5th, October and Wednesday, 12th, October on the same ground and at the same time. All Club members turning up for these games will be certain of receiving a trial. Intending players should bring both a white and a coloured jersey. The season proper will commence on Saturday, October 15, when the Club 1st XV will play the Army and the Club "A" side will play a Navy XV. Prospects for this season are good and with the probable appearance of three visiting sides in Hongkong, some interesting Rugby should be seen.

The first visiting side will be an Army XV from Singapore, who are travelling by troopship, and will arrive in the Colony on October 30 and will leave on November 5. During that time it is hoped that they will play three games. That against the Club will take place on the Club ground on Wednesday, November 2, commencing at 4.45 p.m. The last visiting side from Singapore arrived in the Colony just out of season, and the games played were consequently rather disappointing. This year we are promised a strong side which will provide a hard test for the local Army, Navy and Club teams right early in the season.

VISIT FROM MALAYA
Arrangements are going forward for the visit of a Malayan Union Rugby XV early in February. The Malayan Rugby Union finish their season in the Straits with the annual North v. South match, which this year will be held in Singapore on January 29. The best exponents of the art of rugby in Malaya are then in action. Officials of the Union thought that this opportunity should be taken to send a strong side from amongst the players in the North v. South game to Hongkong for a series of matches with local teams and the proposal has been warmly welcomed in the Colony. If present tentative arrangements are confirmed, the side will arrive on February 2, and leave on the 12th, during which time they will play matches against the Club, Navy and possibly All Hongkong. This will probably be the best rugger seen here since the visit of the New Zealand Universities side in 1930.

These visitors will be closely followed, it is hoped, by the Shanghai Rugby Union Football Club's interport side. Last year, owing to conditions in North China, the annual interport had to be cancelled. This year, with the improvement in the north, this step should not be necessary, and the Hongkong Football Club hope to entertain Shanghai for the usual series of matches during the China New Year.

An enjoyable season is in prospect, which it is hoped will not be spoilt by untoward international events.

HOME MATCHES

London, Sept. 26.
The following were the results of matches played in the Rugby Union to-day:
Devonport Services 11 Blackheath 12
Pontypool 10 Newport 0
—Reuter.

Cotton, Not Whitcombe, Is Best Golfer This Year

London, Aug. 26.
ALTHOUGH the Open golf champion is usually recognised as the best player of the year, Reg. Whitcombe, winner of golf honour No. 1, winner also of the Irish Open and other tournaments, is not to get the Vardon trophy.

The Vardon award, which unofficially labels the holder as the season's best golfer, has been handed to Henry Cotton, and Cotton, though he has played grandly at times, has not won a single important tournament in Britain.

The scores returned by the professionals in 16 named tournaments are taken and the average calculated. The lowest figure wins the prize. The 10 events include the Open, and first-class tournaments. Cotton's figure—and this may surprise you in view of his season's record—is a shade under 73.

Whitcombe's average is slightly over 73—about half a stroke. If this comparison be accepted, it looks as if Cotton has been desperately unlucky this campaign.

Shanghai, Sept. 21.
A meeting of the Shanghai Cricket Club Committee was called yesterday evening and plans for the Interport were discussed. Inasmuch as the Colony players are arriving on October 8, which is a Saturday, it will not be possible for play to be held during that week-end and it was decided that the Interport should be played on Monday, October 10 to Wednesday, October 12 inclusive.

It is believed that the visitors are arriving here in the Norddeutscher Lloyd luxury liner Potsdam as the steamer's schedule coincides with the dates indicated by Hongkong, the vessel being due from Europe on October 8 and will sail from Shanghai on its return journey on October 13.

In addition to the Interport proper, two other matches have been arranged for the visitors—a match against the United Services, to be played on the Shanghai Cricket Club ground on Friday, October 14 and a match against the Shanghai Recreation Club on Saturday, October 15.

On Sunday, October 16, the Shanghai Cricket Club will hold an "at home" in honour of the Hongkong Interport team. It is also planned to hold either a dinner or a dance as part of the entertainment programme, but no definite arrangement in this connection has been reached.

PICKING LOCAL INTERPORT XI
Now that it is definitely settled that Hongkong is to send a team here, the S.C.C. Committee is expected to get to work on choosing the Interport side to meet the visitors. This should not be difficult as there are several players whose names automatically go on the list. Among the "certainties" of course are—Donald Leach, Archie Sinclair, Bob Booth, L. F. Stokes, and J. C. Jenkins of the Shanghai Cricket Club and Pat Madar of the Recs. G. S. Dunkley is also believed to be sure of his place. He is one of the best wicket-keepers here and besides this, deserves consideration on his batting ability alone. It was learnt on good authority last night that at least eight members of Shanghai's team will be selected at an early date and that the remaining three places will be filled after trial of several candidates. An Interport trial is expected to be held on Sunday, October 2, with the Shanghai side, consisting of the eight selected players and three others, meeting a Rest of Shanghai side.

MANY GOOD BATSMEN
The object of the trial, it was indicated, will be to determine who, among the many first-rate bowlers here, should be given preference. A team including such stalwarts as Leach, Booth, Sinclair, Stokes, Jenkins, Madar and Dunkley may confidently be expected to put up a presentable score against any visiting team as each of the above-mentioned players are capable of a good innings. Leach, Sinclair, Dunkley and Stokes have each scored a century this season. Pat Madar made over 90 in the opening League match of the season, while both Jenkins and Booth have reached 50 and over this season.

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The Adventures of ROBIN HOOD

THE STORY THUS FAR: King Richard, leaving for the Crusades in 1191, put England under a Regency, mistrusting his Saxon-hating brother, Prince John. During a joust before the latter, Sir Robin of Locksley, a swashbuckling young Saxon, won the prize. Sir Guy of Gisbourne, a Norman, thus winning the dislike of Lady Marian Fitzwater, Sir Guy's sweetheart. King Richard is captured abroad and held for ransom and Prince John schemes to take the throne for himself. He taxes and otherwise torments the Saxons. Robin saves a man caught shooting a deer in the Royal forest by claiming the man is his servant, told to slay the deer for Prince John. Robin later takes the deer to John and denounces him as a traitor. In the fight that ensues Robin is saved from death by the screams of the Lady Marian. Fighting his way to the door of the Castle he pauses only to wave a salute to her with his sword and gets through the door hammering it after him.

CHAPTER IV

"QUICK, MEN! QUICK! They're working themselves to the verge of an epileptic attack!" Seize his castle moment darted through the castle door and yanked it shut after him. "And . . . er . . . just to lean against the courtyard, decy- ed by his trick, fell to with a will. They hurried themselves against it and succeeded, for the moment at least, in holding it shut, in spite of the superior force on the other side, the straining every muscle to open it. Swiftly as an arrow from his own bow Robin sped across the shadowy court, leapt into his saddle, pulled Much-the-Miller's-son up behind him, and clattered merrily away over the causeway. Will Scarlet, the squire, clattering after him. They were scarcely out of sight when the door burst open and two spluttering knights—Sir Ivor and Sir Baldwin—emphatically out.

They were closely followed by Prince John, purple with fury, and by Sir Guy of Gisbourne and a dozen other knights. Then came the High Sheriff of Nottingham, the Bishop of the Black Canons, and beautiful Lady Marian who had unwittingly caused the hubbub. Men-at-arms, servants and archers arrived next and the gaunt boat-boards barking furiously.

"Which way did he go, you fools?" Sir Ivor having bawled the words, and delivered a staggering blow to the guard who pointed toward the causeway, scuttled across to his horse, mounted, and followed by Sir Baldwin, galloped off in pursuit of the culprit, a straggling company of men-at-arms running behind.

Robin, hearing the hurrying hoofs behind him, halted and will Scarlet handed him his bow and quiver. He carefully chose an arrow, fitted it, aimed and waited. The bow-string twanged and Sir Ivor lay dead with an arrow through his heart. Sir Baldwin reared his horse for a moment then spurred it on. Again the deadly bowstring hummed and he, too, lay lifeless. The men-at-arms ran to his side, but when one of their number crumpled to the ground, they fled in panic.

As Robin wheeled his steed toward the wooded heights, a body of mounted men galloped by. When they were out of hearing Robin slapped Will's horse—on the flanks—and sent it loping along the road that led away from the town. He then gave the diminutive Much a lift to the saddle and grimly issued the orders: "Find Crippen the Arrow-maker and his friends. Tell them to pass the word to every man who's been beaten or robbed or tortured or humiliated. Tell them to meet me at the Gallows Oak here in Sherwood. They'll understand! Much vanished as if by magic.

"Energetic soul, aren't you," said Will with whimsical disgust, "I suppose we sleep to-night amid the beastly fauna and flora!" "It's healthy, my lad!" retorted Robin with a provoking grin.

"I prefer my warm bed at Locksley!" "And being taken and hanged?" "Better dead than discomfort!" said Will and the two plunged further into the dark forest, where an owl was hooting crazily.

At the moment in a stone-walled room in Nottingham Castle the bodies of Sir Ivor and Sir Baldwin lay in state—men-at-arms on guard—rush-wick candles burning at heads and feet—and a black-robed friar mumbling prayers.

At the far end of the room by a flickering taper, Prince John, in a fine robe, scribbled with a quill on cracking parchment. Having signed the document with a flourish, he arose and handed it to Sir Guy of Gisbourne. "There—" said his Highness triumphantly. "A death sentence for your friend Sir Robin of Locksley! . . . Have it proclaimed in every village that he's an outlaw, a robber, and hang anybody that gives him shelter, or aid!" "Yes . . . er . . . Sir!" said Sir John.

"The master is an energetic soul!" His possessions are forfeit to the Crown . . . went on Prince John (Continued to-morrow)

Our War Propheteers

And Thoughts On The Revival Of Shove-Halfpenny

By "AN OLD STAGER"

SOME of us have now lived in five reigns. It sounds dreadfully antediluvian. When a friend mentioned the fact—rather tactlessly, I thought—my hand involuntarily strayed to my head. It was almost a relief to feel that there was still some hair adhering to it. But, as Sir John Falstaff remarked, how these old men are given to bragging!

It is true, my own recollections of the Victorian epoch are comparatively infantile. But they are still useful. For instance, I recall how, when Queen Victoria was still on the Throne and as yet an unexploded biographical myth, the happy, comfortable, peaceful world of that halcyon age was periodically depressed by nag-eyed bewickered prophets who foretold, with documentary certainty as to the precise date, just when the end of the world was going to happen.

I am reminded of these gloomy seers to-day by our existing Cassandra, who keep telling us when the next Great War is positively about to begin. It was fixed originally for August 12th. Now it has been shifted just a month to September 12th.

Awaiting the End

Many nervous people took these prophets with entire seriousness, and even hesitated about concluding such business matters as house mortgages. They felt that it would be foolish to enter into commercial arrangements which projected beyond the Last Trump.

We shall see, in a month or two, how far our present-day jitter-mechanics, the up-to-date peace-time war-propheteers, are any nearer the bull's eye than were those Victorian specialists in universal oblivion. This being the off season for solemn politics, I propose to leave the aforesaid war-propheteers at that, and turn for a brief moment to the engrossing subject of shove-halfpenny. Somehow, to my mind, it does not seem quite such a non sequitur as it may sound.

I am certain that the international pessimists would be far more profitably and happily employed playing shove-halfpenny than in trying to forecast the future. Besides, if their apprehensions should by some odd chance prove correct, to enact over again the historic role of Drake, with a shove-halfpenny board substituted for Plymouth Hoe and bow!.

Shove-halfpenny has suddenly become a fashionable pastime in London. Unless I am much mistaken we owe this to the annual taken over an Oxford crew a year or so ago during the long period of training for the Boat Race. They tried shove-halfpenny as a relaxation; something to distract their minds from the appalling rowing prowess of a place called Cambridge.

In the Best Circles

Since then it has steadily gained a footing in polite society, and to-day in Mayfair is seriously threatening the vogue of darts. Nobody is more astonished than the erstwhile piebald practitioners of the shove-halfpenny board by this sudden social apotheosis of their favourite game. But shove-halfpenny was an aristocratic pastime three centuries and more ago.

It was in Shakespeare's time, though at the moment I recall no reference to it by the bard, played by quite the best people. The earliest records of the game of shove-halfpenny, which was then known either as shove-groat or slip-groat, occur in the fifteenth century, though it is more than probable that even the ancient Greeks had a name for it.

King Henry VIII was a great devotee of shove-halfpenny. He seems to have found it an agreeable diversion from malcontent, and is a record that in 1532 there was paid out of the King's Privy Purse to My Lord of Wiltshire a sum due for His Majesty's losses at shove-halfpenny—which suggests that there was then at least one peer of the realm who could shove a pretty halfpenny.

At any rate, he was able to beat bluff King Hal, even with the probable handicap on his form that he never quite knew, such was the uncertainty of Tudor temper, how that Royal loss might take it. King Edward VII—when a Life Guard subaltern, called attention to the fact that His Majesty's partner at whilst, a famous elderly and temperamental Duchess, had revoked—observed that he had often awarded D.S.O. for less. To take on Henry VIII at shove-halfpenny, and beat him to the considerable depletion of the Royal Privy Purse, must have been very nearly in the V.C. category of simple valour.

Game of Skill

Believe it or not, shove-halfpenny is an extremely skillful game, requiring intense delicacy and judgment, and, above all, is even more expensively than contract bridge. At Court in those days no doubt they played with gold coins, not half-pennies or groats. In Elizabeth's reign it was usual in society circles, to play with a silver shilling. That, at least, is what I read in our currency about 10s at least.

So popular as well as fashionable did shove-halfpenny become in the Middle Ages that it was deemed desirable by the authorities, kill-joys then as now, to prohibit the pastime. It was threatening to oust the far more manly and useful sport of archery.

In 1831 a Westminster innkeeper was fined 10s, a formidable impost at contemporary currency rates, for permitting the game to be played on his premises. About the same date a barber, who was at that time a much more important person professionally than now, was fined for allowing

to a game of shove-halfpenny, and beat him handsomely at it.

So we see that shove-halfpenny is really an important and antique business, not a trivial affair to be summarily dismissed from the intellectual consideration in face of European crises. This island had to face some pretty tough emergencies in those early days of shove-halfpenny.

But in the Armada days Britons did not get the week-end jitters, at least not to the extent we do nowadays, according to the scare headlines in the stunt papers. They felt themselves worthy of their destiny, and equal to encountering it like men.

I am loath to believe that the descendants of those stout-hearted islanders of the shove-groat epoch are really any less gallant in spirit or philosophic in outlook. Come to the four corners of the world in arms, but we shall shock them! That's the slogan for us in these troublous days, and to the horse-tough with the kill-joys and the dismal-jimmies alike.

What will be, will be. If the Nazis want to play shove-halfpenny with Europe, well, that's likely to be their funeral anyhow.

STORIES OF SCOTS PATIENTS

AT this time the minds of ex-Servicemen and nurses are filled with memories of the early days of the Great War. Some of these recollections are grave and some play the lighter side does much to ease the ache after 24 years.

Male and female nurses who worked in the great hospitals during those anxious August days have many treasured anecdotes which they never tire of recounting. Here are a few concerning Scottish patients who were nursed in military hospitals.

It is not an easy matter for English folk to nurse Scotsmen, the language difficulty proving a greater barrier at times than people are apt to imagine.

There was the big fellow in the Scots Guards, suffering from an ingrowing toenail, who told the relieving orderly that there was something "wrong with his muckle toe." The medical officer was puzzled when it was discovered that the case sheet bore the words, "Two knuckles fractured."

Asked what was wrong a private in the Black Watch suffering from a lumbago stated that he wanted his attendants. Once during the night he beckoned to his nurse, who hurried across prepared for the worst. Judge her surprise when the soldier, there's a fellow with a twisted spine. Serious case.

When a Shetlander declared that he was "annoyed" with the food the orderly officer came to investigate the complaint. It turned out that he was no discontented with the hospital rations, but that he was suffering from indigestion. The English darker side.

As the English sister used to say, popping her head into the ward before going off duty, vainly attempting to be Scottish, "Cheerio the noo."

Cherrie! After twenty-four years in the West of Scotland, did not those Scottish patients are not understand the practice of his rounds orderly officer making his rounds.

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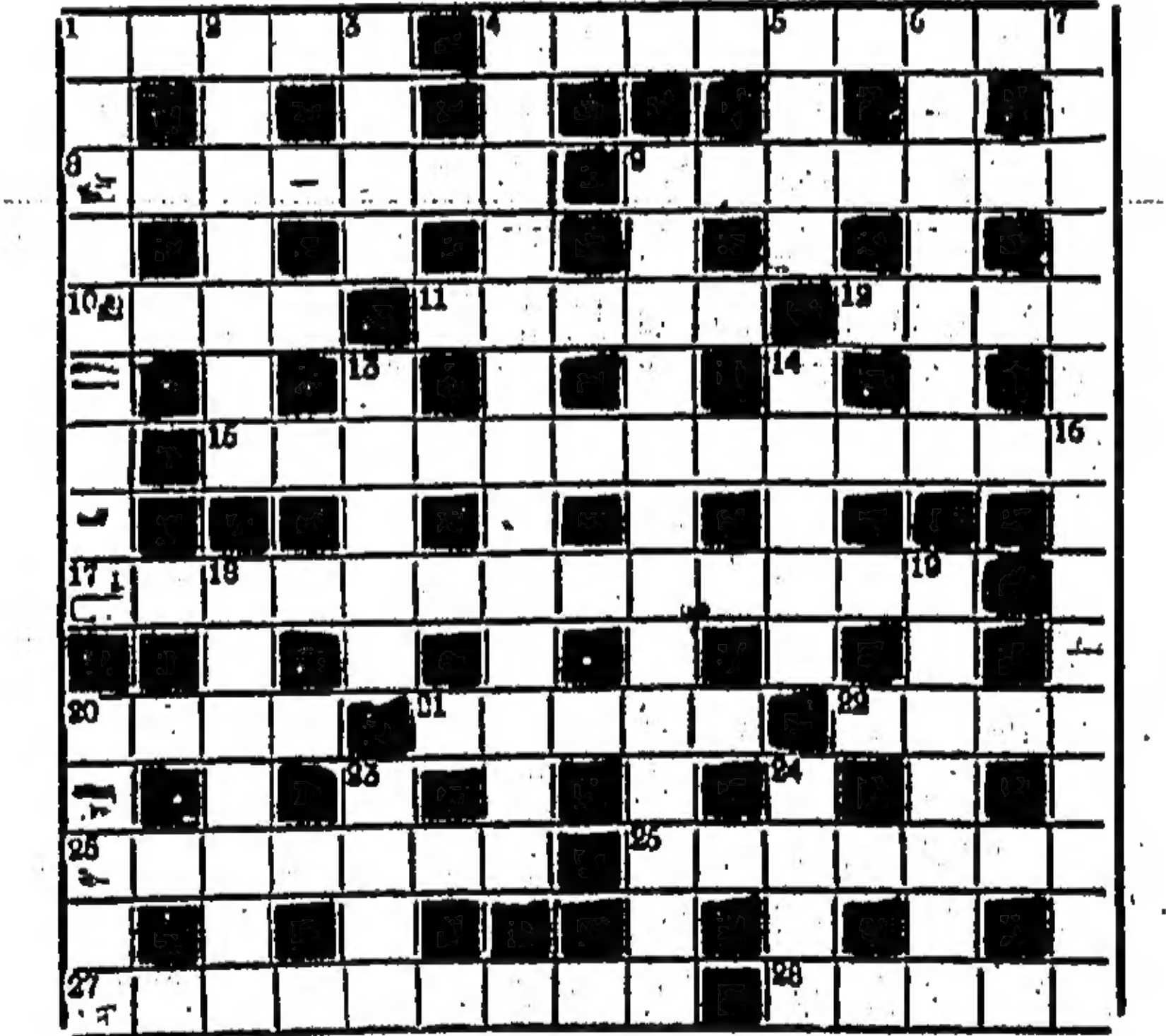
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10 This English river sounds like something found on many a river (4).
11 Foreign wine that is commonly accepted as right in Scottish water (6).
12 Sweet herbs may be taken to the Assizes but this weed is there too (4).
15 A change of vessels in which the sailors appear (13).
17 This aptly makes a "strafe" silent (13).
20 Leather but not from the horse or cow (4).
21 This ally is taken individually (5).
22 Prima Donna (4).
23 Oxford College (7).
25 In this one might buy this (7).
27 After this the criminal is lucky if he doesn't have the heart changed to a (9).
28 German old master (5).
- 5 Part of 21 across (4).
6 This is found among British fauna and flora (7).
7 An Eskimo vessel (5).
9 Epithet for the old country postman, though in another way he seldom is (13).
13 The man to ravage (5).
14 Did this garden pest come from a ship? (5).
16 Upper sails that suggest part of the preparations for a big picnic (9).
18 "Let's ale" (anag.) was it a tract on Temperance? (7).
19 There in former days (7).
20 The offer of the Gunners was almost mad (5).
23 Metal (4).
24 This little town of Kent was once on the coast (4).

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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TATTLE FAULT
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T N H A L F B R O T H E R

- 1 Forest hinterland perhaps, or useful shot if someone carries the jack in a game of bowls (9).
2 Sweet stuff made by a foolah insect (7).
3 A place to locate (4).
4 Wrong French river and outer case combine to form a decorative substance (13).

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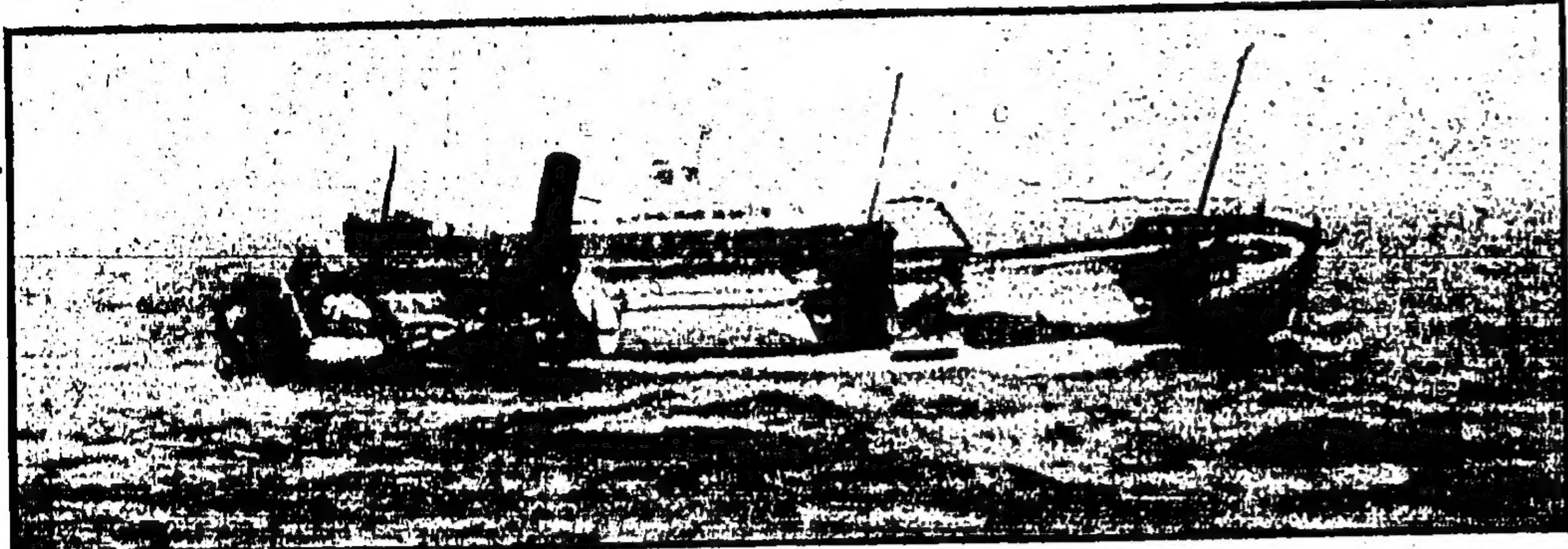
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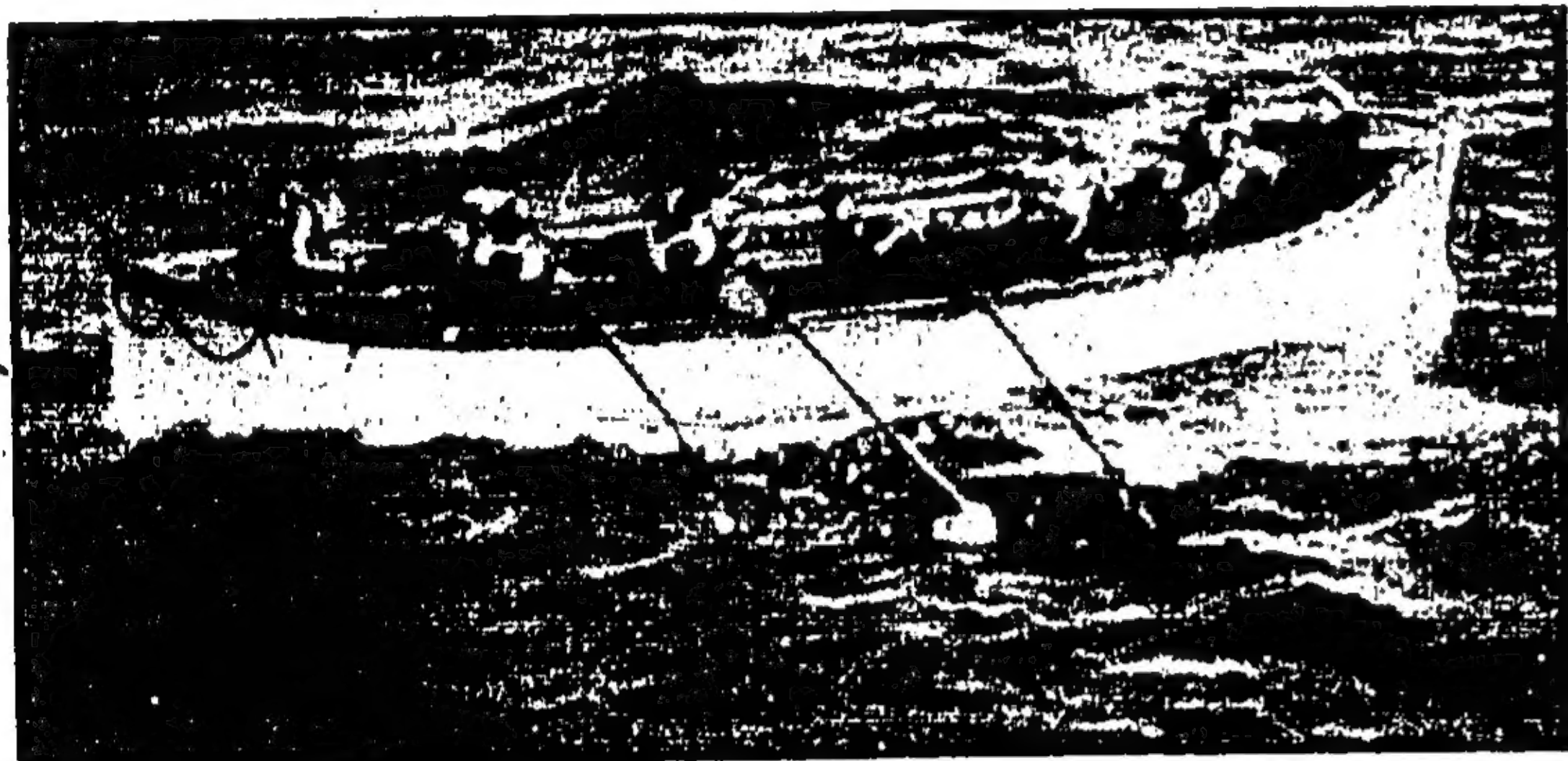
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HAPPENINGS
AS SEEN BY
THE CAMERA'S EYE

WAR AND RUMOURS OF WAR



THE GIRASOL had a heavy list and her starboard scuppers were awash. Below, the lifeboat from the Agulla returns with six of the rescued crew. These dramatic pictures were taken by one of the passengers in the Agulla.



Continuing his campaign to modernise the British army and provide room at the top for others than British aristocrats, Leslie Hore-Belisha, British War Secretary, has retired 13 more general officers, largest shake-up since the World War. Above, the War Secretary aims a trench mortar, of the Royal Fusiliers at Lympne, Kent, England.



Ghosts of ancient emperors may have thinned in as modern ruler of Italy discussed mimic warfare in the rugged mountains of Abruzzi, in Italy's central Apennines. Above, Premier Mussolini, left, studies a map, during the games, while King Victor Emmanuel, right, hears an explanation by a staff officer. Il Duce later led an army to "battle."

GIRL AND
TEN MEN
SAVED
FROM SHIP



Wearing gas masks to make the conditions more realistic, here are members of the British Royal Air Force loading a plane with bombs for a simulated air attack over the Westland section of England. Recent manoeuvres by the force, practicing home defence, were the most extensive ever held in that section by the Royal Air Force.

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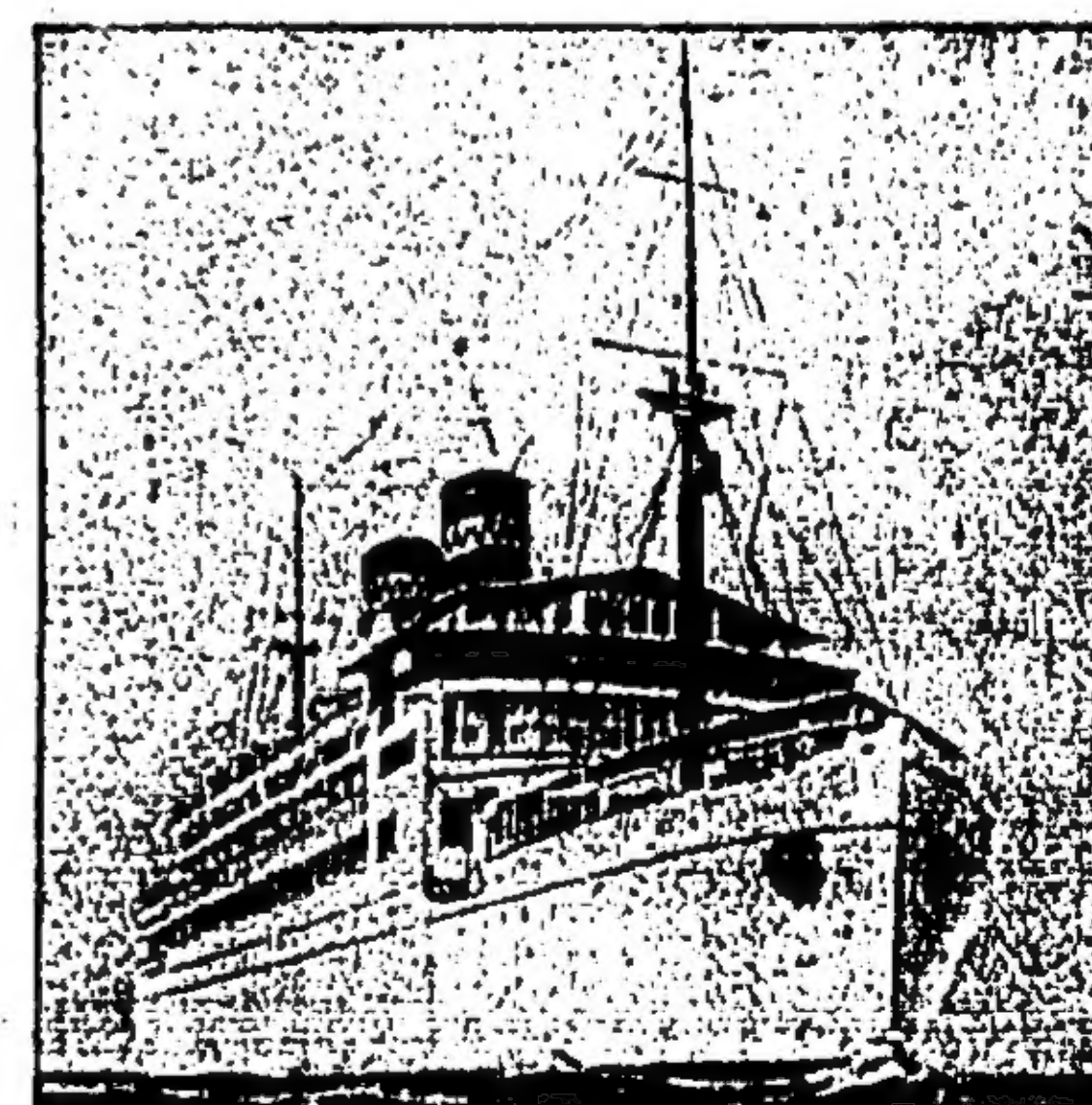
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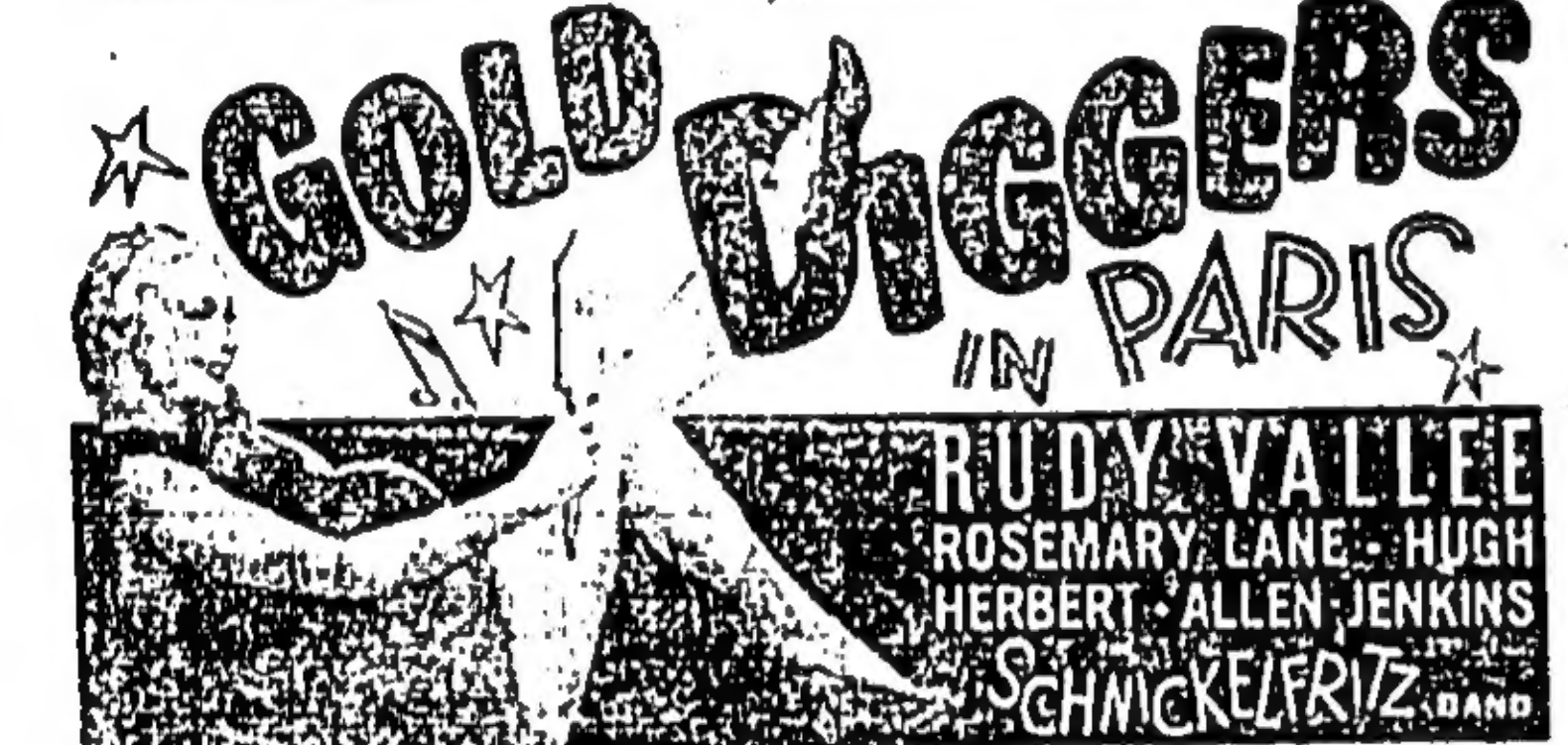
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Several motorists were summoned before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning on charges of dangerous driving and speeding.

Gordon Marr, of 46 Bonham Strand West, was fined \$50 for driving at a dangerous speed along Connaught Road West on September 14. Traffic-Sergeant Youe said Marr was doing about 36 miles per hour on a road which was crowded with pedestrians.

A fine of \$25 was imposed on Heichiro Masuda, of 27 Conduit Road, for driving without due care and caution in Robinson Road on September 10. Sergeant Youe said Masuda was travelling along Robinson Road between Peak Road and Conduit Road, and was rounding a left hand bend when he went over on to the wrong side of the highway and collided with a motor car that was coming from the opposite direction. Nobody was hurt, and slight damage was caused to the vehicle.

Also summoned for driving without due care and caution, a taxi driver, Fung Man, was fined a similar amount. Detective Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin said he was driving east along Des Voeux Road Central when Fung came out of Teo House Street from the south side, heading in the direction of the Star Ferry, without looking to either side of him. Inspector Darkin had to apply both hand and foot brakes to avoid a collision.

R. Poinset, of the Little Shop, was summoned for driving at a speed of 28 miles per hour along Bonham Road between the Netherlands Hospital and Caine Road on September 14. He admitted the offence and was fined \$12.

A similar fine was imposed on Miss M. Brown, of 45 Morrison Hill Road, first floor, for speeding at 20 miles per hour in the controlled area of Queen's Road East on September 16.

Mrs. P. A. Neill, of 4 Shek-O, was fined \$5 for causing an obstruction with her vehicle in Pedder Street on September 15.

J. Middleton-Smith, of 1 University Path, was fined \$3 for driving in Queen's Road East on September 16 without carrying a red rear light.

Wanted Shady Spot

Her desire for a shady spot in which to park her car cost Mrs. M. Kwan, of 115 Waterloo Road, \$6 at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when she was summoned before Mr. Macfadyen for parking 11 feet from the pavement in Nathan Road. She pleaded guilty through a representative.

Traffic Sergeant Bethell said the car had been put under the shade of a tree.

A fine of \$10 was imposed on J. H. Fox, 112 Boundary Street, when he pleaded guilty to letter to driving a car with inefficient brakes.

Acting Sub-Ins. J. Scrim said defendant's car had been tested following an accident in Nathan Road when a small boy had been knocked down. At 20 m.p.h., the foot brake took 54 feet to stop the car, which should have pulled up in about 20 feet.

Imposing the fine, His Worship hoped that the boy would be compensated.

Squadron Leader P. Holroyd Smith, who admitted parking his car on the wrong (Majestic Theatre) side of Saloon Street and failing to notify the change of address on his car's licence within 48 hours, was fined a total of \$7.

STOP PRESS

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sanction of the British and French Governments, and this binding promise was the basis of the Godseberg conferences.

At this promise is not fulfilled, they there can no longer be a possibility of an unprovoked attack, since the fulfilment of the demands in the German Memorandum within the stipulated time is merely the consequence of the former negotiations, which were conducted for the purpose of arriving at a peaceful solution of the Sudeten problem.

A failure to fulfil the promise given to Germany would create a situation which is clearly dealt with in the Fuehrer's speech at the Sports Palace, —Trans-Ocean.

LONDON PAPERS BITTER

London, Sept. 27. London newspaper comment is bitterly anti-Hitler.

The News-Chronicle: "Perhaps, when Parliament meets to-morrow, it will present the spectacle of a united and adamant British nation which will make Hitler pause even on the brink before plunging his country and most of Europe into the calamity of war."

Daily Herald: "It couldn't be said before with certainty that Hitler knew he could not invade Czechoslovakia without making war upon Britain, France and Russia. He must have known this when he spoke last night yet, despite that, he threatened an attack."

Daily Telegraph: "The best that can be said of Hitler's speech is that while it slammed the door it did not irrevocably bar and bolt it. There is still a breathing space, but there will have to be a wholly new spirit of compromise in Berlin if it is to be fruitfully used. Hitler stands now before the supreme test of genuineness or otherwise of his claims." —Reuter.

FOUR-DAY ULTIMATUM

London, Sept. 27. Hitler's speech is interpreted by the British morning newspapers as a four day ultimatum to Czechoslovakia, made in the full knowledge of the issues involved. For that reason, it is more menacing.

It is generally agreed, however, that Hitler has not fully closed the door on negotiation and hope still resides in the wedge Mr. Chamberlain has placed in the crack left ajar. —Reuter.

'SHAI MYSTIFIED BY DEPARTURE

Shanghai, Sept. 27. Destination of Italian cruiser Monte Cuccoli, which departed suddenly accompanied by destroyer, is unknown.

Monte Cuccoli was not scheduled to leave Shanghai for some time. —Reuter.

IMP. AIRWAYS DELAYED

Imperial Airways plane, due to-day, is held up at Hanoi. Expected at 11 a.m. to-morrow.

REFUSED TO REFUND LARGE SUM

American Customs Officer Accused

Canton, Sept. 27. Canton's Commissioner of Customs, Mr. Little, an American citizen, has been named co-defendant with Cheng Yee-long in a Court action here.

The Chinese district Court, however, has no jurisdiction over the American.

In August, 1936, Cheng who is a U.S. citizen, is alleged to have confiscated \$1,000 from a firewood boat which he claimed was attempting to smuggle the money out of the province. The captain of the junk was charged and though at first found guilty was eventually discharged by the Supreme Court.

Now, however, according to the local papers, the Commissioner of Customs, Mr. Little, has refused to refund the money to the owner who, on her release, immediately demanded it. —Our Own Correspondent.

Famous Labour Leader Dies In London

London, Sept. 26. Tom Shaw, Minister of War in the second Labour Government, died here to-day. —Reuter Special.

Thomas Shaw, was born at Colne, Lancashire, in April 1872, the son of a miner.

From the age of 10 he was a half-timer in a cotton mill but at 21 he became a trade union committee-man and was later secretary of the Colne Weavers and of the Northern Counties Textile Trades Federation.

In 1911 he was appointed secretary of the International Federation of Textile Workers and during the war he was Director of National Services in the West Midlands.

Notable Linguist

In December, 1919, he was elected M.P. for Preston, and in the following year became a party whip.

From 1923 to 1925 he was joint secretary of the Labour and Socialist International.

One of the best read men in his party, he was its most notable linguist and a splendid organizer.

He took part in many international conferences, both industrial and political, including the Labour delegation to the Ruhr during the French occupation. When the Labour Government took office in 1924 he was appointed Minister of Labour.

Such baited by the Conservatives, he resorted to the policy of not producing unemployment relief schemes like rabbits out of a hat.

In 1926, Mr. Shaw led a Labour delegation which went to India to investigate the conditions under which the textile workers lived and laboured. His co-operation was valued in the joint efforts of Lancashire members of all parties on behalf of the cotton industry, but he held the view that the prosperity of the Lancashire factories could not be fostered by any sort of oppression of the people of India.

Mr. Shaw was on the National Joint Council of the Labour movement and the Parliamentary Executive of the Party. He served on the committee on workmen's compensation.

Horse Kicks Up And Dies

Dundalk, Ont. A horse kicked up its heels on a farm near here and died for its friskiness. Harold Talbot, a farmer, turned his horses out to the pasture. One of them, feeling frisky, ran and kicked its heels up. As it did so, one of its legs snapped. It had to be destroyed.

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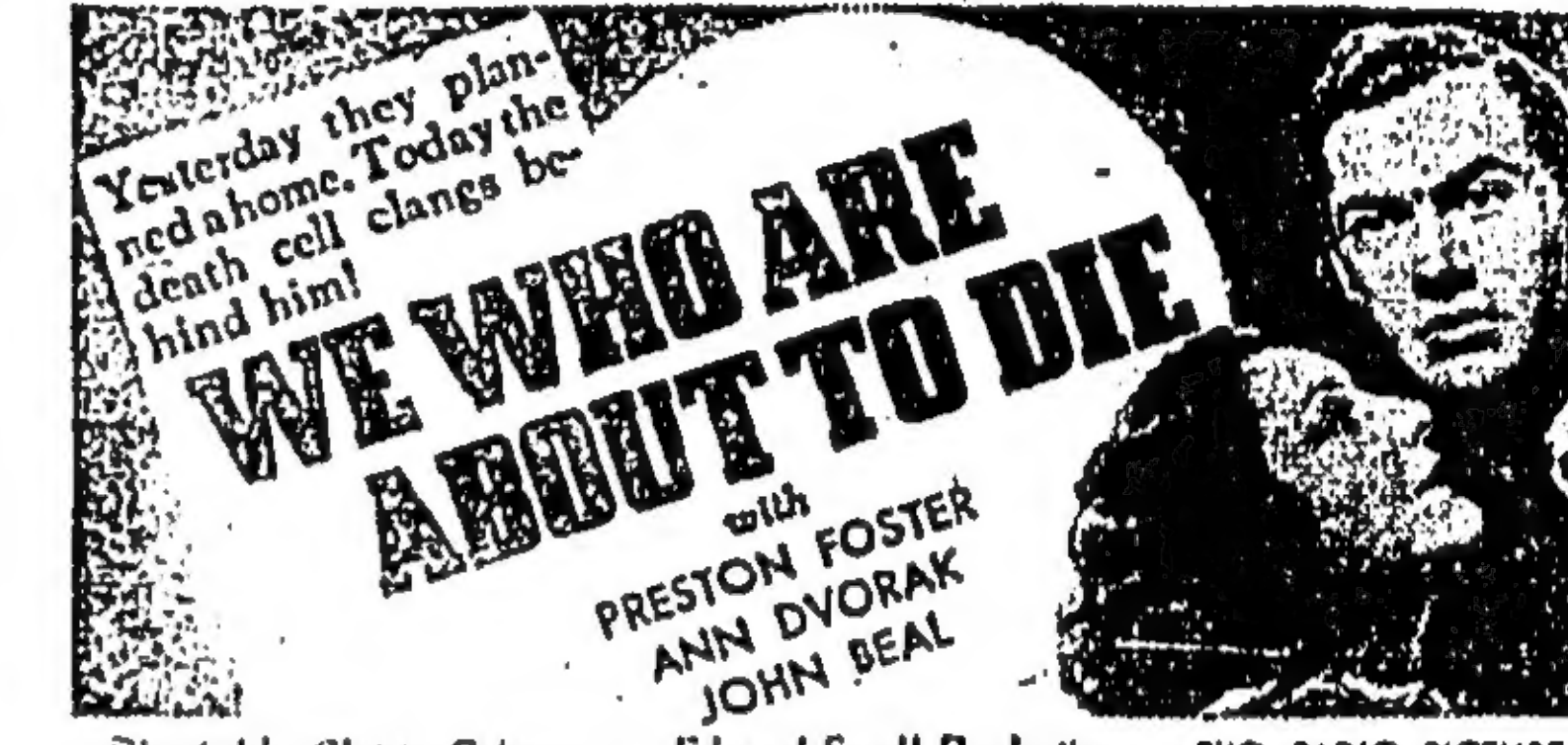


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